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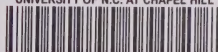


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The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy GREENSBOROUGH PATRIOT.

"THE IGNORANT AND DEGRADED OF EVERY NATION OR CLIME MUST BE ENLIGHTENED, BEFORE OUR EARTH CAN HAVE HONOR IN THE UNIVERSE."

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he put them more horses to his chariot and fireth more sumptuous, and no man dare lay hold on him and say, pay me what thou owest! - Lo we have heard your murmurings, and ye are so stupefied and rebellious as to say, that when the oppressor in times of old said unto all the tribes, make up for me among yourselves a title of an hundred thousand shekels, that my servants who keep you, may have bread? Your fathers waxed wrath and resisted unto much blood and overcame the oppressor; and that this hundred thousand shekels is but a very little thing to the tribute, which ye of this tribe now pay to these money changers, who have gotten lawful dominion over you. In this they are exceedingly woful and sinful; for it shows that ye had rather sit by the Red-septs in Egypt, and eat bread in the full than enjoy the salutary and blessed blessings and chastisement under Moses and the

in all other things, they have acted legally, and done no more than we manifestly intended they should do when we made laws for them, and bid them go on and prosper. For, thus and thus, with the law, did that and thus the precedents of judges; and these sacrifices and uphold all the sin wherewith ye complain; and as those men are therefore fenced round about with laws and precedents, if ye seek to get at them in their heart, the judge must cause you to be disabused and hushed in scorn; for the judge is ever nailed as fast to the law as the thief is to the cross; and least feelings of humanity make him resist and break loose, his predecessors ever bequeath him abundance of precedents, which, like things, tie and secure him safely to that position in which he ought to hang.

18. Wherefore if ye be wise, ye will not seek to cast these men out, and if ye can be moved by human

perhaps, even more despicable than a male, because ye are almost to concede the claim of a lady to station, without this unnecessary and ungrateful enforcement. The customs of a vain person are generally ungrateful. The attention of such persons to themselves, to the different parts of their dress, their obvious consciousness of looking well, their anxiety to appear to the best advantage, their sharp glances to discover whether any body is admiring them, &c. must give rise to constraint and awkward movements, destroying all that ease (not to mention dignity) which is essential to grace. But let it not be supposed that we are so inelegant or so unjust as to be the fair sex exclusively with faults like these, we believe, still more frequent. Many a night have we contemplated

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with the process and rules, saying, most things are well. And the rulers said, yes, verily, for in this their herding nor sin. For this image made and by legal device, and called the state or tribes, and the ruler itself, and all the people live, more rather and have a being therein. Whosoever it thrones, they receive money, and all its substance, and it is itself with its own, driving beautifully with its, according to our even into the going into all it hath, to our calling upon the people for the same, because they are persons. It is for the house of people that it siteth down with the body corporate; it hath more dominion than any out of where thereof; it is for the profit of the people, then the goal is headed it is for the great are one share; and it is for the good of the that it with all this money, money is. For the purpose is, likewise receive this image as the and the people themselves, and therefore give the name and house of all their change, and is

6. And they sat themselves down in marvellous meekness and patience, and lest they might speak evil of disputes or blaspheme against the powers that be, each man had all the sure evils and calamities that befell him to the brother and friend whom he had loved and trusted; and because of this charity, he was at variance with every other person under the sun; and the sons of Belial spared him none, and he received no pity in his distress.

7. And the people saw this labourer for aught no man cared to give him help or build up the wall or the hedge thereof, or to repay his dwelling; for he saw that the field and the dwelling must soon go to those whom he hated, and he himself be thrust out, and having nowhere to go.

8. And he barked and bawled his brethren, and the land in which he was born; and his heart was torn; they look off, whether he desired to go, believing that no change could be to his hurt.

9. Wherefore the walls and the hedge he set his hands down, and the fields desolate and the trees withered, and gullies; and of men were none to be seen.

and they are stronger than we, if they did but know their strength! And lest we escape them not hereafter, let us look out a man exceedingly wise, and cunning, and one whom the people delight to honor, and give him great manumission; so he, he will cast his mantle over us so that we may live and prosper under his shadow.

19. And they did so: and lo! the vine, yea the olive left off her usefulness and her fruit, which pleased God and honored man, and wheat and wheat ground over the trees! yea, over the gall bushes and briers, ble of iniquity.

20. Wherefore it is that the sons of Belial could be made this day, and the people have no deliverance.

FEMALE FLEEVANCE.
Good nature also is insufficient for the acquiescence of pleasure. Unfortunately, we are many times the most successful and most understanding, and only justly, without the least, but positive is much to be

exhibits the most precious of the place, from the external road down to the subterranean dungeons. The instruments of torture, and the mode of using them, are also displayed by very ingenious devices. Five varieties of treatment, as varieties in torture were mildly termed by the Holy Office, are exhibited - The water treatment, whereby the patient whose refractory disposition would not allow him to conform, all he knew to the Grand Inquisition, was bound down with cords and obliged to swallow several gallons of water, administered through a funnel, till, on the point of suffocation, he was humanely released by being placed in a bath of warm water, so that the superfluous liquid might run out through his mouth and nose - the fire treatment, whereby an untoward temper, or a refusal of the defecator due to the Inquisition, he being fixed on an iron cradle, with the soles of his feet exposed to a brisk fire, without the power of withdrawing them, a single such from its scorching influence, a treatise of which may be regarded as somewhat an analogue in the Mahomedan's hell, pictures of a place where men are dead with boils of death.

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Editorial Policy

The publication committee is interested in receiving articles on the history and genealogical source materials of Rockingham County and the adjacent area. The historical articles must be well written and thoroughly documented. Genealogical articles should consist of previously unpublished primary source materials pertaining to Rockingham County, such as abstracts of local records and edited diaries, letters, or church records. Papers on family history should not be submitted. All copy, including footnotes, should be typed, double-spaced. Articles and correspondence should be sent to the Editor: Robert W. Carter, Jr., 1141 Irvin Farm Road, Reidsville, N. C. 27320.

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ROCKINGHAM COUNTY NEWS ITEMS FROM THE GREENSBOROUGH PATRIOT

PART ONE: 1826-1853

Abstracted by
Clinton Fagge

Preface

One of the most under utilized sources available to local genealogical and historical researchers is the local newspapers- essentially because few newspapers from earlier days have been indexed. In Rockingham County this fact is compounded by the lack of local newspapers for the first half of the nineteenth century. Few, if any, researchers are willing to go to the time of scanning issue after issue of newspapers in the hopes of finding that vital "tidbit" of needed information.

This and the December 2003 issue of the Journal will attempt to bring some "undiscovered" news of Rockingham County from the nineteenth century to light. As very few issues of pre-Civil War newspapers from this county survive we oftentimes depend upon the issues of the Greensborough Patriot for articles from or related to Rockingham and surrounding counties.

The Society wishes to thank Clinton Fagge for going through the issues of the Patriot from 1826-1874 and abstracting Rockingham County news items. No abstraction or indexing of this kind of material can be without errors or omissions, nevertheless this should prove to be a most helpful guide to anyone who has nineteenth century connections to Rockingham County. The following abstracts are brief and are only intended to serve as a guide to the actual complete article on microfilm. In Rockingham County the Madison Public Library and the Rockingham Community College Library at Wentworth have the reels of the Greensborough Patriot which patrons may consult.

Appreciation is extended also Michael Perdue and Bob Carter for making available to Clinton their copious abstracts of Patriot news items made over the past twenty years and to Julia Gunn who indexed the following work.

Part Two, which covers the years 1854-1874, will appear in the December 2003 issue.

Greensborough Patriot

Abstracts of some Rockingham County News, Part I, 1826-1853

7 June 1826-Robert Galloway and Miss Susan Carter of Caswell, were married on May 30, 1826, at the Rockingham County residence of James B__W, Esq.

14 June 1826-Terry Collins died June 4, 1826, at age 52. No family. A native of Maryland and a Methodist.

18 Oct 1826-Notice of mill for sale west of Leaksville.

4 July 1829-Obit. for Carter Stubblefield on the 8th last, at age 60.

25 July 1829-Letter from Chas. Mills to the people of Rockingham County about the upcoming legislature election.

5 Sept 1829-Major William M. Wall of Rockingham County was appointed Brigade Inspector to the 8th Brigade of N. C. Militia. James Scales Jr. appointed Aide-de-Camp to the Brigadier General, William Bethel. Clayborn Wall appointed Deputy Quartermaster. Regimental reviews called: Col. Philips and Reuben Reed.

28 Nov 1829-Andrew Dabbs married in Rockingham County Miss Ruth Smith of Rockingham County.

28 Nov 1829-Thomas Sharp, in Rockingham County, and Miss Polly P__son (Purgason) were married by Alexander S. Martin, Esq.

17 Feb 1830-Emry Night married Miss Matty (Mary) Winchester in Rockingham County.

3 Mar 1830-Perren Joyce of Stokes married Leticia Joyce of Rockingham County, on January 28, 1830, by Nicholas Dalton, Esq.

17 Mar 1830-Drury Moore of Guilford County married Miss Permelia Linear of Rockingham County on March 4, 1830.

17 Mar 1830-Mary H. Peay died on March 7, 1830 at age 27 in Wentworth after a 9-month illness.

5 May 1830-Joseph M'Cain died April 25, 1830, in Rockingham County.

1 Jan 1831-7 Dec 1831-James Sharp and John A. Patrick residing near Troublesome Ironworks, 10 miles south of Wentworth offer liberal prices in cash for 50 to 75 likely young Negroes of both sexes.

16 Feb 1831-Notice by Jno. V. Jones, Troublesome Bridge, Rockingham County. Stolen on 3rd instant, a London watch by a man who called at my father's house.

9 Mar 1831-Obituary for Wm. Barnet Sr., age 75 of Leaksville. Died March 3rd. Member of Methodist Episcopal Church for 44 years.

2 May 1832-The horse mail from Ashborough passing through this place (Greensborough) to Wentworth every Thursday and Sunday about 10:00 AM, and repasses to Ashborough on Monday and Friday about 5:00 PM.

21 June 1832-Mrs. Susan Ruffin, age 25, wife of James Ruffin, Esq., of Rockingham County, died on June 8 in Person County.

27 June 1832-William Webb married Miss Nancy P. Wright, daughter of Martin Wright, Esq., on June 14, 1832. They were married by Joseph Young Esq. All are of Rockingham County.

22 Aug 1832-Post Office at Troublesome Ironworks reopened. Major James Johnson, Postmaster.

19 Sept 1832-For Sale: 1350 acres of land in Rockingham County on Upper Hogans Creek belonging to heirs of Charles Bruce. See Abraham Peebles on Haw River.

10 Oct 1832-Andrew Jackson's connection with Guilford County.

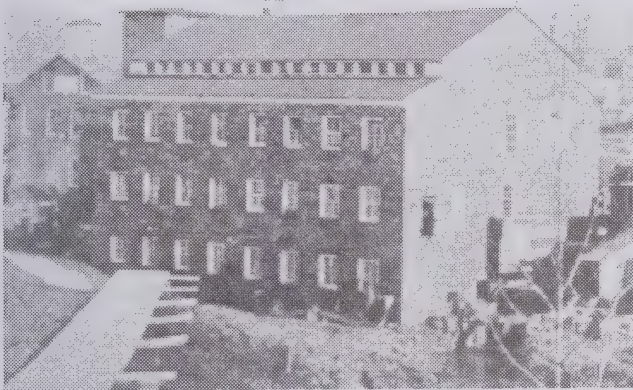
24 Oct 1832-Died at his residence on the 13th ult., Mr. John Morehead Sen., a soldier of the Revolution.

21 Nov 1832-Married in Caswell County on 1st inst., Peyton T. Stubblefield to Miss Mary Nunally.

28 Nov 1832-Sale on 2nd of January: Crops, livestock, tools and furniture. Also will hire out 10 or 15 negroes. By John A. Patrick, Haw River, Rockingham, 3 miles south of old Iron Works.

26 Dec 1832-Richard Johnston and Miss Sarah S. Dillard were married on December 6, 1832 in Rockingham County by Rev. J. Goodman.

16 Jan 1833-Private Law, Bill 70, by the NC Legislature to incorporate the Leaksville Toll Bridge Company.



Cotton mill at Leaksville Factory (Spray section of Eden, NC) by Governor John M. Morehead in 1839. Building burned in 1893 and replaced by another mill which stood for approximately a century.

Courtesy of Historical Collections, Rockingham Community College

The John Morehead homeplace in the Happy Home Community burned in 1846. Governor John M. Morehead rebuilt the house for his aged mother shortly thereafter. It was acquired by the Rockingham County Historical Society and moved to Wright Tavern and restored in the mid 1980s.



Courtesy of Historical
Collections, Rockingham
Community College

13 Feb 1833-Joseph H. Smith of Rockingham County, married Miss Susan Swain, daughter of Dr. George Swain of Guilford County on February 7, 1833 in Guilford County. James Millis, Esq., officiated.

27 Mar 1833-Mrs. Sarah Wright, aged 54, consort of Martin Wright, died March 12 in Rockingham County. Left husband and 9 children. Member of the Baptist Church.

1 May 1833-Obituary for Martin Wright of Rockingham County who died on the 8th ult. at age 60

22 May 1833-Pleasant T. Campbell, of Guilford, married Miss Manerva Epps Braswell in Rockingham County on May 23, 1833. Rev. Henry Tatum officiated.

[NOTE: most issues of late 1833 and early 1834 are missing.]

26 Mar 1834-Ad. for Leaksville Mills, by Barnett & Morehead.

19 July 1834-The Protestant Methodists will hold a camp meeting at Fair Grove in Rockingham on Friday the 26th of August.

27 Aug 1834-Jesse Shelly, on August 5, 1834, married Miss Tabitha Woodburn, both of Guilford County, in Wentworth, by the Rev. S. S. Bryant.

27 Aug 1834-Anne E. Scales, daughter of James, died at age 19 months on June 17, 1834 in Rockingham County.

3 Sept 1834-Report on Robert Martin

3 Sept 1834-Thomas Thompson carriage making

1 Oct 1834-Alexander H. Henderson, formerly of Rockingham County, NC, died on September 13, 1834, in Alabama.

14 Jan 1835-Mrs. Nancy H. Somax (?Lomax), consort of S. Somax and daughter of Capt. Josiah Roberts, of Wentworth, died on the 15th ult. in Rockingham County, leaving a husband and 3 small children.

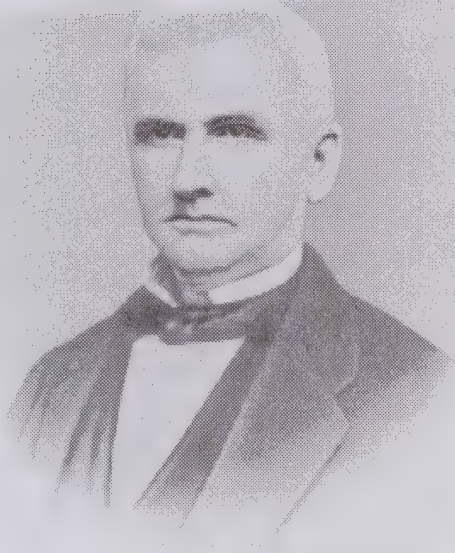
11 Feb 1835-Hardy Futz/Fitts, of Cumberland, VA, and Elizabeth Walker, were married on January 18, 1835 in Rockingham County by the Rev. Thomas Thompson.

11 Feb 1835-John Spell, late of Washington County, died on January 11, 1835 in Rockingham County.

25 Apr 1835-Escapee from Wentworth Jail-Jas. Wright, jailer

George D. Boyd (1797-1886), planter, state legislator, merchant, and prominent Rockingham County citizen. He resided at "The Hermitage" south of Wentworth.

Courtesy of Biographical History of North Carolina, Vol. VII, (1908)



James Patrick, Sr. of the Monroeton Community, built this house at the Troublesome Creek Iron Works for his grandson, James Dillon Patrick, around 1833-1834. It burned in 1976.

Courtesy of Historical Collections, Rockingham Community College

25 Apr 1835-Sale of houses & lots in Leaksville by D. Dempsey

13 May 1835-Rev. Thos. Thompson married Samuel Edwards to Miss Zylpha Hill, daughter of Samuel Hill, on the 30th ult. in Rockingham County.

16 May 1835-Political meeting at Wentworth Courthouse

23 May 1835-James Patrick, Sr., age 74, of Clematricus Ma_mus, died on May 16, 1835 in Rockingham County.

23 May 1835-Obituaries for James Patrick, Sr., and his wife, Nancy, of Rockingham County, NC. She died on May 19, 1835 in Rockingham County, age 65.

13 June 1835-Executor's notice for Patrick est. & sale

25 May 1836-The Rev. Samuel J. Harris, Conference Missionary of the Methodist Protestant Church, will preach at Moriah, Greensborough, Fair Grove, Flat Rock, Ai, Sandy Ridge, and Germanton over the next several days.

18 Feb 1839-Political meeting at Madison

27 Feb 1839-Obituary for Martha Wade, wife of Col. Wade, and daughter of Alexander Martin. She died in Rockingham County

7 May 1839-Dr. James E. Staples, in Madison, on April 30, 1839, by Rev Thompson Bird, married Ruth Scales, daughter of Randal, Esq.

21 May 1839-Alex. M. Searcy and Susan Dalton, daughter of Nicholas Dalton, dec., were married in Madison on the 9th inst. by the Rev. Thompson Bird.

28 May 1839-Political Meeting at Wentworth concerning a National Bank

28 May 1839-Ad. for Foundry at Leaksville-Coffin & Co.

18 June 1839-Dr. James Patrick of Macon, Georgia, and formerly of Rockingham County, NC, died at Indian Springs in Georgia

16 July 1839-An open political letter to D. S. Reid, by Braswell & Cardwell of Rockingham County

6 Aug 1839-Rev. Mr. Thompson married Wilson W. Weatherly to Rachel Caffey, daughter of Robert, on July 19, 1839, in Rockingham County.

13 Aug 1839-Elections results

27 Aug 1839-Eldred H. Smith married Matilda M. Black, daughter of Pleasant, Esq., in Madison, on August 22, 1839, by Rev. D. Nicholson.

3 Sept 1839-D. A. Gillespie of Guilford County and Miss Matilda W. Webster were married on the 29th of August by Rev. Eli Caruthers in Madison.

12 Nov 1839-Dr. James H. May married Frances T. Ellington on November 5, 1839. They were married by Rev. W. B. Nicholson and all are of Wentworth.

26 Nov 1839-Maj. Claiborne Wall, formerly of Wentworth, NC, married in Bibb County, GA, on November 3, 1839, America Grace, daughter of Maj. Solomon, dec.d.

24 Dec 1839-Ad. for Madison Female Academy

21 Jan 1840-Mrs. Frances Ellington, aged 64, died on January 6th at her residence in Wentworth, Rockingham County, NC.

5 May 1840-Whig meeting at Wentworth

12 May 1840-Rev. William N. Mebane married Mary Aikin, daughter of James, Esq., on May 6, 1840 by Rev. Caruthers in Rockingham County.

16 June 1840-Morehead & Saunders debate at Wentworth-meet at Methodist Church

30 June 1840-Whig meeting at Madison

30 June 1840-Joshua G. Wright, of Rockingham County, NC, married Mary Jones, daughter of Robert, Esq., of Person County, on June 17, 1840 by Rev. Mr. Pell.

21 July 1840-The 4th of July was celebrated at Leaksville

21 July 1840-A Whig meeting was held at Bruce's crossroads

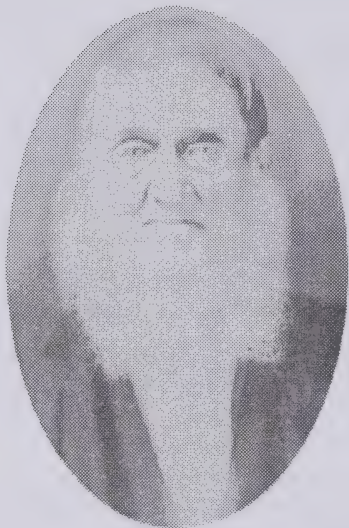
28 July 1840-Jeremiah Pritchett married Mrs. Ann Alley on July 23 1840. They were married by Milton Stamps, Esq. and all are of Madison.

11 Aug 1840-Negroes for sale at Ayers Tavern in Madison, Rockingham County.

11 Aug 1840-James L. Starrett, of Guilford County, married Caroline M. Donnell, daughter of Wm., Esq., of Rockingham County, in August of 1840 by Rev. John H__ds.

25 Aug 1840-8th Brigade orders-Militia-from Madison

8 Sept 1840-Tippecanoe Club formed at Wentworth.



Levin Miner (1810-1880), prominent Wentworth citizen, miller and leader in the Methodist Church there. He moved to Tennessee following the Civil War.

Courtesy of Wentworth United Methodist Church



The Wentworth Male Academy, built ca. 1853 and later served as the public school for the village until 1909. This 1870s photograph shows principal (later Congressman) James W. Reid and his pupils.

Courtesy of Historical Collections, Rockingham Community College

10 Nov 1840-Census of Rockingham County results-"The common schools lately established by an act of Assembly had not gone into operation when the census was taken."-10 academies, 8 grammar schools, 10 primary schools.

29 Dec 1840-Application to be made at present session of General Assembly to incorporate the Leaksville Manufacturing Co.

12 Jan 1841-Samuel Smith of Rockingham County married January 7 Leah Taylor, daughter of Fisher B. Taylor of Guilford County.

16 Mar 1841-Leven Miner, in Rockingham County, on March 4, 1841, by Rev. Thomas Thompson, married Miss Priscilla Walker.

23 Mar 1841-Obituary for Dr. Thos. S. Brent at High Rock who died on the 11th inst. at age 23 of consumption.

13 Apr 1841-David S. Reid announces candidacy for Congress

27 Apr 1841-Meeting in Wentworth to express sorrow over the death of Pres. Harrison

25 May 1841-Rev. John Hinds, originally of Overton County, Tennessee, married Miss Rhoda Webb, of Guilford County, daughter of Meredith and Rachel, dec.d., of Rockingham County, on May 20th by the Rev. Wm. B. Dawson.

6 July 1841-Gen. Dalton, of Madison, on June 29, at Clemmons ville, Davidson County, married Sarah I. Clemmons, daughter of John, Esq., of Clemmons ville.

31 Aug 1841-On the 29th inst. Rev. John Hinds married Miss Mary Hopkins, daughter of Thomas Hopkins, to Martin P. Wright.

31 Aug 1841-Thos. Searcy died in Rockingham County on the 11th inst. at age 77 years.

12 Oct 1841-John Wyatt Stubblefield died on Monday the 27th ult. in Rockingham County. He had been ill for 9 days.

22 Mar 1842-Whig meeting at Wentworth

26 Apr 1842-Obituary for Jno. Martin, 52, a native of Rockingham County who died Sunday night last. He had lived his last 20 years in Georgia.

26 Apr 1842-Obituary for Mrs. Nancy (Settle) Brent, wife of Jno. N. Brent, died at High Rock, Rockingham County, on Sunday morning the 17th.

3 May 1842-Leaksville Cotton Factory Ad.

28 June 1842-Obituary for Absalom Joyce, 42, who died near Wentworth on the 19th inst. after a 3-week illness. He leaves a wife & 6 children.

16 July 1842-The 4th of July was celebrated at Leaksville.

30 July 1842-Obituary for Jno. Wall, Sr., age 56, who died in Rockingham County on the 6th inst. after a several months illness.

30 July 1842-Miss Angelina Linder died in Rockingham County at age 24

30 July 1842-U. S. District Court of NC-in Bankruptcy
Notice to show cause against Petition of:
Pendleton Jones, Rockingham Co., inn keeper
John Price, Rockingham Co., farmer
William H. Moore, Rockingham Co., farmer
Robert Moore, Rockingham Co., farmer
Lorenzo D. Saunders, Rockingham Co., farmer & trader
Charles R. Smith, Rockingham Co., farmer
William R. Strong, Rockingham Co., tobacco
Terrel Hopper, Rockingham Co., blacksmith

3 Sept 1842-Militia parades-notice-Madison & Reidsville.

4 Feb 1843-Col. Joab Hiatt, in Rockingham County, by Rev. Wm. D. Paisley, on January 31, 1843, married Miss Julia, daughter of Samuel Sharpe.

4 Feb 1843-James M. Moore, in Rockingham County, by Rev. Mr. Stadler, married Miss Jane F. Courts on January 24th.

18 Feb 1843-Luther Linder, aged 25, a native of Rockingham County, for the past 4 years a resident of New Orleans, died of pneumonia on February 1st.

25 Feb 1843-Died at the home of her husband, Daniel W. Courts, in Rockingham County, on the 15th ult., Mrs. Eliza Allen Courts, 32 years, after a short illness.

4 Mar 1843-J. D. Patrick offers Ironworks for sale, grist mill, saw mill, & carding machine.

1 Apr 1843-James F. Watt, aged about 25, at the Rockingham County residence of his father, Col. James Watt, died on March 13th.

6 May 1843-Obituary for James E. Hopkins, Esq., who died in Rockingham County, NC, on the 15th ult.. He left a wife & 6 children.

19 Aug 1843-Obituary for Major Benjamin Settle, who died at his home in Rockingham County on July 25th. He was for many years a member of the General Assembly.

2 Sept 1843-J. D. Patrick wishes to rent or lease Troublesome Ironworks store, mill, etc.

30 Sept 1843-Joseph Young, of Rockingham County, by Rev. John Rich, married on September 20, 1843, Miss Jane Climer, of Guilford County.

18 Nov 1843-Obituary for John Meadow (Meador?) who died in Rockingham County, NC, on the 20th of October at age 30, leaving a widow and 2 children.

25 Nov 1843-Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan, aged about 37, died in Madison, November 13. She was the wife of Daniel Jordan and daughter of the late Col. James Martin of Stokes County.

2 Dec 1843-Whig meeting at Wentworth

6 Jan 1844-Walter B. Johnson, in Wentworth, by Rev. Benton Field, on December 28, 1843, married Miss Sarah Ellington.

6 Jan 1844-Samuel Sharp of Rockingham County, in Greensboro at the residence of Col. Joab Hiatt, died on January 4, 1844.

13 Jan 1844-Obituary for Mrs. James Mooney who died in Rockingham County on the 8th of January of quinsy.

24 Feb 1844-Obituary for Julius Monroe, youngest child & only son of E. M. Woodburn, died in Rockingham County on the 9th inst. after a short illness. He was aged 7 years, 11 months, and 23 days.

6 Apr 1844-Daniel G. Schoolfield married Miss Elizabeth King, of Rockingham County, in Rockingham County on March 21, 1844 by the Rev. E. W. Caruthers.

6 Apr 1844-Col. James M. Walker, in Rockingham County, married Miss Elizabeth J. Young on March 25 by the Rev. John Rich, all of said county.

6 Apr 1844-NC Militia Brigade Orders: 91st Regiment at Madison, Rockingham County, on May 7th, 1844; 67th Regiment at Reidsville, Rockingham County, on May 8th 1844.

13 Apr 1844-John A. Allcorn married Miss Jane, daughter of Mr. Pendleton Ratliffe, in Rockingham County on April 4, 1844, by Elder Robert Shreve.

4 May 1844-Rachel Reed, aged 37, wife of Ira D. Reed, died in Rockingham County on April 13, 1844. Member of the Methodist Church.

11 May 1844-Whig meeting at Wentworth

22 June 1844-Capt. Pascal Ellington, aged 66, died in Rockingham County on May 27, 1844, of a disease of the head.

6 July 1844-Camp meeting at Mt. Carmel, Rockingham Circuit, starts Friday, August 9th.- Rev. J. D. Lumsden.

13 July 1844-Obituary for Jno. Meador who died on the 24th of June at age 76 in Rockingham County. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church

27 July 1844-Wentworth Mineral Spring advertisement.

27 July 1844-In Rockingham on the 24th by the Rev. Addison Lee, Mr. John L. Campbell married Miss Mary Reed, daughter of the late John Reed, Esq., of Rockingham.

3 Aug 1844-Obituary for John Reed, Esq., who died in his home in Rockingham County on the 3rd ult. at age 68 after a short illness.

3 Aug 1844-Camp Meetings-Sandy Ridge, 12 miles west of Greensboro on Friday the 9th. Brother W. H. Cowan of the VA Conference will be there.

-Spring Hill, starts on October 11th

-Fair Grove, 14 miles north of Greensboro, starts on September 27th - Rev. C.F. Harris

3 Aug 1844- Camp Meeting at Mt. Carmel, Rockingham County, 9 August, Rev. J.D. Lumsden.

17 Aug 1844-Democrat Meeting at Rockingham County.

17 Aug 1844-In Rockingham County on Tuesday the 30th ult., by the Rev. John Stadler, Capt. John Worsham, of Caswell County, married Miss Eliza, daughter of Thomas Roach, Esq., of Rockingham County.

24 Aug 1844-Election Results

31 Aug 1844-Obituary for Emily Harris, daughter of Franklin Harris, who died on Wednesday the 21st.

21 Sept 1844-Obituary for Martin Roberts who died on Sunday, the 1st inst., at 12:30 AM of congestive fever, in his home. He was 67 and had been a Rockingham County Sheriff for 14 years.

5 Oct 1844-In Rockingham County on Thursday inst. by the Rev. J. D. Lumsden, Mr. John Pearson, of Guilford, married Miss Susan Walker, daughter of Mr. James Walker, of Rockingham.

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5 Oct 1844-In Henry County, VA, on Wednesday the 25th ult., by the Rev. John Rich, Mr. James D. Ellington, of Wentworth, NC, married Miss Wilmoth H. Stone of Henry County, VA.

12 Oct 1844-Whig meeting at Wentworth

12 Oct 1844-Democratic mass meeting to be held at Wentworth.

2 Nov 1844-Obituary for Dr. Jas. C. Walker who died at Leaksville on Saturday the 12th of October at 9:30 PM of congestive fever. He was 29 and an Orange County native. He had lived two years in Leaksville and was a member of the Leaksville Philanthropic Society.

9 Nov 1844-Obituary for Mrs. Susan McMasters, wife of Rev. Wm. J. McMasters, and daughter of Samuel & Winnifred Tapscott of Rockingham County, NC. She died on July 21st at Rockingham Springs.

23 Nov 1844-In Rockingham County on th 17th, by Robert Walker, Esq, Mr. John T. Duke married Miss Tabitha C. Whittemore.

18 Jan 1845-Obituary for Mrs. E. J. Campbell, consort of Rev. Thomas S. Campbell of the NC Conference. M. E. Church South, who died at Eagle Falls of January 12, 1845.

1 Mar 1845-In Rockingham County on the 26th inst. by Rev. J. D. Lumsden, Mr. J. D. M. Springs married Miss Leah, daughter of Mr. William Walker.

8 Mar 1845-Obituary for Mary Bailey Watt, daughter of Robert B. Watt, Esq., who died on January 29, 1845 after a six-month illness. She was 3 years & 6 months old.

15 Mar 1845-On the 5th in Rockingham County, by the Rev. William N. Mebane, Mr. Michael H. Thomas married Miss Martha J. Roberts.

15 Mar 1845-Samuel Smith, 46, died at his home on December 6, 1844. He leaves a wife & 9 children.

26 Apr 1845-Obituary for Zachariah Jarrell who died Friday, April 18. He leaves a wife & 8 or 10 children.

24 May 1845-In Rockingham County, on the 15th inst., by George W. Garrett, Esq., Mr. John V. Jones married Mrs. Margaret S. Williams.

12 July 1845-Fourth of July celebrated at Leaksville.

12 July 1845-On the 4th of July two Negro women were committed to the common jail of Rockingham County, NC

12 July 1845-Obituary for David Scott Moore, only son of Pearson & Isabella Moore, died of pneumonia recently at age 17.

6 Dec 1845-By virtue of a decree of the County Court of Rockingham, passed at November Term, 1845, I will sell at the late residence of Micajah McGehee, dec'd., two miles west of Madison on Wednesday, the 24th of December next, 26 likely Negroes-John Stockton, Adm.

6 Dec 1845- Married: At Fair Grove Church, Guilford County, on Sunday the 30th of November by the Rev. Adam Clarke Harris, Mr. Ira D. Reid of Rockingham County to Miss Mary Eliza Thomas, daughter of Rev. Willis Harris of Granville County.

27 Dec 1845-There was a fire at Mr. Franklin Harris' place near Eagle Falls on December 18th morning. Rev. T. S. Campbell lost his books, clothes, his childrens' clothes, and nearly all his manuscripts in the fire.

2 Jan 1846-Dr. James T. Woodson opens practice at Wentworth.

2 Jan 1846-Appointments for the NC Conference-Appointments for Rockingham Circuit were Jeremiah Johnson and William Anderson.

3 Jan 1846-State of NC, Rockingham County-Inequity-William & Lucy Barrett vs. Thomas & Nathaniel Barrett, Pleasant & Betsy Philips, and John Hamlin. Have court date at the courthouse in Wentworth the 4th Monday in March, 1846.

3 Jan 1846-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, 1845-John A. Mebane vs. James D. Patrick at Wentworth Courthouse.

3 Jan 1846-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, 1845, at Wentworth Courthouse-Anslem Reed vs. Thomas L. Sharp.

10 Jan 1846-B. W. Aiken of Rockingham County is admitted to the practice of law.

10 Jan 1846-The Subscribers will open a Boarding School in the village of Wentworth, Rockingham County, NC on the 2nd Monday in January, 1846

24 Jan 1846-William R. Walker in the Whig State Convention represents Rockingham County. On 12 Jan 1846 he was selected as vice-president of Whig Central Committee.

24 Jan 1846-In Wadesborough on Wednesday, the 11th inst., by the Rev. A. B. Smith, Dr. John C. Wisdom, of Rockingham County, married Miss Julina Hendricks, daughter of the late Cornelius Winborn, of Guilford County.

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31 Jan 1846-In Rockingham County, on the 20th inst. by the Rev. Harry Tatum, Mr. William S. Wall married Miss Ann Eliza Fewell, daughter of Mr. William Fewell.

7 Feb 1846-Jackson-a short chronicle about the city of Jackson, formerly of the Eagle Falls on the Dan River in Rockingham County.

7 Feb 1846-Cotton Yarns-50, 000 Pounds of First Rate yarns for sale at the Leaksville Factory.

7 Feb 1846-Supreme Court Case-Wright vs. Roberts from Rockingham.

21 Feb 1846-Coach Manufactory of Wentworth, NC advertisement.

21 Feb 1846-"Promo" for Wentworth.

28 Feb 1846-Capt. Joseph P. Coe of Guilford County and Miss Nancy F. Pearson, daughter of Mr. William Pearson were married in Rockingham County by Rev. William C. Patterson on the 19th inst.

14 Mar 1846-Mr. J. J. Reid married Margaret Winchester, daughter of the late Whitefield Winchester in Rockingham County. Married by Rev. Henry Tatum on the 1st day of this month.

21 Mar 1846-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1846-Hugh L. Patrick vs. James Donnell

21 Mar 1846-A note to wagoners that 100 bales of cotton owned by R. Washington, Esquire are to be shipped to Leaksville.

28 Mar 1846-Major James Johnson passed away on March 22 at the age of 73 in Wentworth. He was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church.

28 Mar 1846-Mr. Daniel Wall of Rockingham County, aged 67, died on the 13th of February, 1846, leaving a wife and several children.

4 Apr 1846-A John Wall of Madison, Rockingham County is wanted for passing counterfeit bills.

11 Apr 1846-An article to Blacksmiths concerning a mode of tempering cust (rust?) steel by Lere Mc Daniel who lives 3 miles north of Leaksville.

23 May 1846-A mulatto man raised in Rockingham County ran away from Clinton Lisk who purchased him on the 22nd of February in Stokes County from Joseph P. Smith.

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23 May 1846-A young man in Madison named James Libass hanged himself at his father's house which was in the vicinity of Madison.

23 May 1846-Members of the Wentworth Masonic Lodge to celebrate the anniversary of St. John the Baptist on the 24th of June, 1846.

23 May 1846-A notice to officers of the 9th Division of the NC Militia which includes Rockingham County and says that a Colonel R. Murchison has consented to be a candidate for Major General.

20 Jun 1846-The people of Rockingham County assembled at the Wentworth Courthouse to hear a statement by the Governor read which concerned the enrollment of volunteers for the Mexican War.

11 Jul 1846-State of NC, Rockingham County-Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1846-Boyd & Scott vs. Thomas L. Sharpe.

18 Jul 1846-Mr. Roberson married Miss Smith in Rockingham County. Rev. Mr. Dodson performed the marriage.

18 Jul 1846-Mr. J. Highfield of Guilford County and Miss Moore were married in Rockingham County by a Rev. Mr. A. Gray.

1 Aug 1846-Citizens of Rockingham held a meeting in the town of Leaksville on July 22 to appoint delegates to a convention to be held at Charlotte Courthouse in Virginia on August 4.

15 Aug 1846-In Wentworth, the 11th inst., by Rev. P. W. Archer, Mr. Numa Fletcher Reid and Miss Ann E. Wright, daughter of James Wright, Esq., were married.

15 Aug 1846-The Legislature of Rockingham County:
Senate: Boyd-without opposition-no change
Commons: Courts and Neal without opposition-no change
Sheriff Edwards 866-without opposition

15 Aug 1846-Votes for Governor and the Penitentiary: Rockingham
In 1844 Graham received 449 votes and Hoke received 981 votes.
In 1846 Graham received 387 votes and Shepard 761 votes.
Those who voted for the Penitentiary were 177 and those against were 857

22 Aug 1846-Supreme Court Opinions-Jones vs. Strong in Rockingham

22 Aug 1846-A meeting is to be held on November 3 at Wentworth concerning the Improvement of Roanoke and Dan Rivers, with a view to Steam Boat Navigation.

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United States Senator Stephen A. Douglas (1813-1861) of Illinois married Martha Martin Douglas of Wentworth in 1847. He ran for President unsuccessfully against Lincoln in 1860. He visited Rockingham County on numerous occasions. Photograph made by Matthew Brady.

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Martha D. Martin (d. 1853) was the daughter of Rockingham County planter Robert Martin and the first wife of Senator Stephen A. Douglas.

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29 Aug 1846-Ad for Robertson & Gladson, Cabinet Makers of Madison.

12 Sept 1846-Wentworth Academy-Principal: Numa F. Reid. Includes information on its tuition.

26 Sept 1846-On September 15 Lucinda S. Martin, daughter of Robert Martin died in Wentworth after a 45-day illness, on the very eve of her marriage.

26 Sept 1846-On September 18 1846 William H. Walker, only son of John H. and Susan Walker died in Madison of congestive fever. His father died 4 days later of the same illness at age 29.

3 Oct 1846-Dr. John E. Brown of Yanceyville died recently of congestive fever, in Rockingham County, at about 44 years of age.

3 Oct 1846-Death of Mrs. Robert Brodnax, wife of Robert Brodnax, Esq., of Rockingham County. Died on Saturday last at Judge Ruffin's in Orange County.

10 Oct 1846-State of NC-Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August Term-John L. Campbell vs. John & Sarah Rhodes

10 Oct 1846-State of NC-Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August Term-James T. Morehead vs. James D. Patrick

17 Oct 1846-Dr. James Hunter May of Wentworth died Sept 21, 1846, at 8:10 PM. Buried at Wesley Chapel Methodist Church. Born January 29, 1802, son of a Revolutionary War soldier.

17 Oct 1846-William Scott, Esquire was married to Miss Rhoda S. Reid, daughter of Reuben Reid, Esquire on the 6th of September in Rockingham County.

31 Oct 1846-The Common School Fund for Rockingham County.

The Federal Population: 11610

Spring of 1846: 711

Fall of 1846: 986 and 24

Total Sum: 1697 and 24

14 Nov 1846-Abraham P. Patrick, 37, native of Rockingham County, died on October 25 in Macon, Georgia.

14 Nov 1846-Dr. James T. Woodson has located at Wentworth.

14 Nov 1846- Public notice for the next General Assembly which includes incorporating Wentworth Lodge.

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28 Nov 1846-A \$20 reward was offered by Robert M. Young for the finding of a runaway Negro named Isum.

28 Nov 1846-Departed this life, at his residence in the County of Rockingham, on Saturday morning, the 21st inst, Mr. William Mobley in the 97th year of his age. A Soldier of the Revolution.

28 Nov 1846-John K. Lesueur has land for sale: mills formerly owned by Richard Wall, and land, sawmill & gristmill formerly owned by Samuel Smith, dec'd, on the Mayo River.

28 Nov 1846-By virtue of a Decree of the Court of Equity of Rockingham County, in the petition, of James Watlington, a Mr. John L. Lesuer would expose to sale a tract of land, 200 acres, surrounding High Rock mill, and other land on which Joseph McCain formerly resided..

5 Dec 1846-Legislature of 1816-1817:

Members of the Senate: Rockingham County: G. D. Boyd-Democrat

Members of the House of Commons: ? Courts and Joseph Neal-Democrats

5 Dec.1846-The house of Mrs. Morehead in Rockingham County (mother of Ex. Governor Morehead) burned to ashes.

2 Jan 1847-Congressional Districts-District Number IV-Rockingham, 11612

2 Jan 1847-Appointments of the NC Conference for Rockingham County were Jeremiah Johnson and William Anderson.

2 Jan 1847-State of NC, Rockingham County, November Term-John A. Gilmer vs. William Coleman.

9 Jan 1847-Capt. Patrick M. Henry and Col. R. P. Scales of Rockingham are engaged in the enterprise to raise a company of men for the Mexican Service.

9 Jan 1847-\$50 dollar reward for Isum (read 28 Nov 1846 note-It was raised \$30)

9 Jan 1847-\$25 for a Negro named Martin who ran away December 29, 1846. He is to be delivered back to the owner, Joseph Young, Jr., in Rockingham County, near Troublesome Creek. His brother, Robert Young, lost Isum (28 Nov 1846 note)

16 Jan 1847-Notice of Wentworth Academy-N. F. Reid.

30 Jan 1847-The Logan Guards: list of volunteers from Rockingham County (42), Guilford County (25), and Stokes County (15).

30 Jan 1847-Obituary for Frances Stubblefield, 56, widow of Hugh Stubblefield. She died on December 23, 1846, of apoplexy. She leaves two daughters. An only son died a few years ago..

6 Feb 1847-In this county (Guilford) on Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. Thomas Chance, Mr. William A. Walker, of Rockingham County, married Miss Laura A., daughter of Nathan Gladson, dec'd. of Guilford County.

13 Feb 1847-Illness of Lt. Peter Scales at Ft. Johnston at Smithville (Southport), NC.

20 Feb 1847-Death of Lt. Peter Scales at Ft. Johnston, Feb. 12, of bilious pneumonia.

20 Feb 1847-Dr. James L. Oliver died near Madison on February 13 at about age 32 of consumption. A month or two before his death, he became connected with the Presbyterian Branch of the Church of Christ.

6 Mar 1847-A citizen of Leaksville wrote a complaint about a certain Daniel W. Courts

20 Apr 1847-State of NC-Rockingham County, February Term, 1847-John M. Lindsay vs. John M. Bright

24 Apr 1847-In Wentworth, Rockingham County, on the 7th inst. by Rev. John R. Lee, Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, Senator from the State of Illinois, married Miss Martha Denny, only surviving daughter of Col. Robert Martin.

1 May 1847-Ad. for Dr. Jas. T. Woodson at Wentworth.

8 May 1847-The judgement of the Rockingham Superior Court, of last Fall Term, in the State vs. Ellington for the murder of Victor N. Lewis, who was of Leaksville, having been sustained by the Supreme Court, the sentence of death was pronounced upon the prisoner by Judge Manly last week at Wentworth. Ellington is to be executed on Friday, May 21 in Wentworth.

22 May 1847-Mrs. Elizabeth Massey, wife of Major Nathan Massey died May 8, 1847, at the age of 66 in Rockingham County. Baptist.

5 June 1847-Wentworth Masons to celebrate St. John the Baptist on the 24th of June.

5 June 1847-Sale of land by John L. Lesueur, 300 acres belonging to the heirs of George W. Webster, on the Dan River.

12 June 1847-NC Volunteer deaths-Co. G. Patrick M. Henry, Rockingham, captain-none

12 June 1847-An examination of Numa Reid's academy.

12 June 1847-Died at his residence in Rockingham on May 19th, 1847 in the 85th year of his age, Capt. Richard Stubblefield, a soldier of the Revolution.

12 June 1847-Died at his residence in Rockingham County, on the 24th of May, 1847, Mr. George Courts, in the _7th year of his age. (Note: he was 87.)

12 June 1847-Brick Worker-Jno. J. Farley-Madison, NC.

12 June 1847-Wentworth Masonic Lodge Celebration.

3 July 1847-A tract of land belonging to the heirs at law of George W. Webster, deceased, is lying in the County of Rockingham on the Dan River and is to be sold on the 18th of July at the highest bidder.

10 July 1847-In Wentworth, Rockingham County, NC, on Saturday, June 26th, 1847, Mrs. Agnus Pen died in the 69th year of her life.

17 July 1847-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Spring Term, 1847-Laton Duskil vs. Elizabeth Duskil for divorce.

14 Aug 1847-Reuben J. Johnson wrote an article about the Village Hotel in Wentworth to inform people that he has added new rooms and improved old rooms.

21 Aug 1847-B. W. Aiken of Rockingham, admitted to the practice of law in the Superior Courts of the State

21 Aug 1847- George Wesley Reid and Miss Delila Thompson were married on Tuesday, August 17, by Rev. Mr. Freeman.

28 Aug 1847-NC Elections-Fourth District-Rockingham
Shepperd (W.)-281 votes
Clemmons (L.)-646 votes

11 Sept 1847-An apprentice boy named Silas Grafton ran away from the subscriber, Thomas Thompson. The boy, if found, is to be delivered to Thompsonville, Rockingham County, NC-5 cent reward.

18 Sep 1847-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Sessions, August Term, 1847-Sarah Mills vs. the heirs at law of Mathew Mills, deceased.

18 Sep 1847-A Jno. J. Parley of Madison wrote an article informing the public that he has 7 or 8 years of experience enough to undertake jobs of Brick Work and Plastering.

9 Oct 1847-J. M. Morehead wants 20 wagons to haul from Leaksville.

13 Nov 1847-Richard Fleming Moore died Sept. 30 in Rockingham County at age 52 after a 14-day illness.

20 Nov 1847-Alex. M. Searcy, in obedience to a decree and order of the Court of Equity for Rockingham County, is appointed to sell slaves belonging to the minor heirs of Jones Robertson, deceased, who lived 12 miles South of Madison.

11 Dec 1847-Appointments for the NC Conference for Rockingham-Jeremiah Johnson.

25 Dec 1847-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Fall Term, 1847-Alexander Tate & others vs. Thomas Dalton & others.

8 Jan 1847-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, 1847-John M. Lindsay vs. Samuel England & others.

8 Jan 1848-Wentworth Academy Ad.

15 Jan 1848-A Whig meeting was held in Wentworth on Jan 8.

15 Jan 1848-Mr. Thomas D. Rosebrough and Nancy K. Martin were married on December 30 in Madison by Rev. William N. Mebane.

15 Jan 1848-Mr. Alfred S. Wright and Miss Mary P. O'Brian were married on Jan. 8 in Madison by Rev. William N. Mebane.

29 Jan 1848-Maj. Nathan Massey of Rockingham County and Mrs. Sarah Smith of Guilford were married on the 13th of January by Rev. Henry Tatum.

29 Jan 1848-Mr. Nathan Winchester and Miss Maria Smith, daughter of Capt. C. R. Smith were married on the 18th of January in Rockingham County by the Rev. Henry Tatum.

29 Jan 1848-Mr. Thomas I. Sandridge of Guilford and Mrs. Louisa M. Fewel of Rockingham were married on the 25th of January in Rockingham County by the Rev. Henry Tatum.

12 Feb 1848-A meeting of the Whigs of Rockingham County was held in Leaksville on the 25th of January.

19 Feb 1848-Supreme Court Opinions-Smith vs. Smith and others in Equity from Rockingham.

4 Mar 1848-In Rockingham County, Col. Wheeler Hancock and Miss Mary M. Allen, daughter of James Allen, dec., were married on February 15 by the Rev. Benton Field.

4 Mar 1848-Jesse Shelly wrote an article concerning backloading 300 bales of cotton from Cheraw to Leaksville.

18 Mar 1848-For Sale: two tracts of land near Eagle Falls. Also medicines and shop furniture, by N. Joyner.

25 Mar 1848-An article concerning a disinterred body found on the 19th of March in Rockingham County poorhouse cemetery.

25 Mar 1848-A Mr. N. Joyner selling 157 acres of land near Eagle Falls, Rockingham County.

25 Mar 1848-A Negro named Jack belonging to James Simpson was kidnapped by a white man named Absalom Moore 11 miles south of Wentworth. There is a reward for finding both the white man and the slave.

1 Apr 1848-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February, 1848-Elizabeth Grier, widow of Truman Grier vs. John Grier & others in a Petition for Power.

1 Apr 1848-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb Term, 1848-William G. Coleman vs. the Heirs at Law of Truman Grier.

29 Apr 1848-8th Brigade Notice of election: the 91st and 67th Regiments of Rockingham for electing a Major General for the NC Militia.

13 May 1848-Wentworth Academy-James Currie of Rockingham and Robert B. Watt of Rockingham.

13 May 1848-Members of Germanton Lodge of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons anticipate having a celebration on June 24. Members of Greensboro and Wentworth Lodges are invited.

20 May 1848-A Mr. William R. Walker of Rockingham spoke at the District Whig Convention to appoint a delegate to Philadelphia.

20 May 1848-A Robert P. Dick of Rockingham delivered a speech at the District Democratic Convention to appoint a delegate to Baltimore.

27 May 1848-The Whigs of Rockingham met at the Wentworth Courthouse on May 23 to appoint delegates to the Electoral Convention which is to be held in Germanton.

27 May 1848-John H. Bullard and Miss Edith A. Wray were married in Leaksville on the 9th of May by Jones W. Burton, Esq.

3 June 1848-Col. Robert Martin of Rockingham died on the 25th of May at age 64.

3 June 1848-Married, Tuesday morning last, by Rev. John A. Grettner, William R. Walker of Rockingham County and Miss Letitia, eldest daughter of Gov. Morehead.

10 Jun 1848-Miss Elizabeth Settle, eldest daughter of Hon. Thomas and Henrietta Settle died in Rockingham County at her father's house on the 18th of May at age 26.

10 Jun 1848-Mr. Alfred W. Ellington of Wentworth died recently. Member of the Wentworth Masonic Lodge.

24 Jun 1848-Spring Garden Academy-Article by Alfred M. Scales, Jr. telling that his school is about 7 miles NW of Wentworth among other things.

24 Jun 1848-Electoral District Convention-A meeting of the Delegates of the 8th Electoral District which includes Rockingham was held.

20 Jul 1848-Abner Moore of Rockingham County stole a bay mare-article by Peter Huffines

5 Aug 1848-Jones W. Burton, Esq. of Leaksville and Miss Mary A. E. Smith, daughter of Samuel Smith, dec'd, were married on the 18th of July at Shady Grove, Rockingham County by the Rev. William N. Mebane.

5 Aug 1848-Mrs. Elizabeth N. Richardson, wife of R. P. Richardson and only daughter of Maj. N. Wright died on the 13th of July in Rockingham County in her 28th year of age.

5 Aug 1848-A political letter from Nubbin Ridge.

12 Aug 1848-NC Elections-The Legislature

Senate-William D. Bethel

Commons-Daniel W. Courts, Dr. Thomas W. Keen (Keen was elected over Neal, the regular nominee of the party). Samuel Edwards was reelected Sheriff without opposition.

12 Aug 1848-A list of deaths in the Company G of the NC Regiment for Counties: Rockingham, Guilford, and Stokes.

12 Aug 1848-Vote for NC Governor-Rockingham County

1846-Graham-449 votes

1846-More-981 votes

1848-Manly-340 votes

1848-Reid-968 votes

19 Aug 1848-Supreme Court-John H. Dillard obtained Superior Court License

26 Aug 1848-Joseph Lindsay and Miss Eliza Ziglar, daughter of the late Col. L. Ziglar of Stokes, were married on the 15th of August in Rockingham County by the Rev. John Robertson

26 Aug 1848-Thomas C. Moore and Miss Elizabeth S. Winchester, both of Rockingham, were married on the 15h of August by the Rev. Henry Tatum.

26 Aug 1848-A barbecue is to be given in Leaksville on the 6th of September for the Volunteers returning from Mexico.... "especially Capt. Henry and his company."

26 Aug 1848-P. M. Henry, in Leaksville, wrote a notice to the discharged Volunteers of Company G, NC Regiment regarding land claims.

2 Sept 1848-Beulah Association to constitute a church at Flat Rock.

16 Sep 1848-Jaily Ann Amanda, aged 7 years 7 months and one day, died on the 13th inst. at the residence of her father. Only child of Pearson and Isabella Moore.

16 Sept 1848-Members of the Legislature for Rockingham
Senate-William D. Bethel
House of Commons-D. W. Courts, T. W. Keene

23 Sep 1848-Departed this life on the 12th inst. at his residence in the (County ? of) Rockingham, Mr. Samuel H. Walker.

14 Oct 1848-Bird Lowe, 58, of Rockingham County died June 20 at his residence. Born in Charlotte County, VA, Nov. 7 1789. Converted 1815, licensed to exhort in the Methodist Episcopal Church 1816, licensed to preach 1816, later ordained minister.

14 Oct 1848-A New County is to be formed out of a portion of Stokes, lying south of a line beginning at the southwest corner of Rockingham County and running due west to the Surry County line.

11 Nov 1848-On Tuesday evening last, Dr. James T. Woodson married Miss Mary Smith, daughter of Thomas Smith.

18 Nov 1848-Presidential Vote for Rockingham County
August 1848-Governor-Manly-340 votes
Reid-968 votes
November 1848-President-Taylor-380 votes
Cass-766 votes

These are the losses and gains compared with the Governor's Election in August-Rockingham has a 242 vote gain for Taylor.

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25 Nov 1848-Members of the Legislature for Rockingham
Senators-William D. Bethel
Commoners-Daniel W. Courts (Dem.)
Thomas W. Keene (Dem.)

9 Dec 1848-Mr. Courts of Rockingham presented a report from the Committee of
Propositions and Grievances

9 Dec 1848-NC Conference-Danville District
From Rockingham was William Anderson

9 Dec 1848-Elizabeth Wright, 86, of Rockingham died November 29. She was the consort
of William Wright, deceased.

6 Jan 1849-Masten Harris, 68, of Rockingham, died on December 15, of colic, leaving a
wife and six children.

6 Jan 1849-Announcement about Wentworth Academy written by Numa F. Reid.

6 Jan 1849-Notice of sale of Mulberry Island plantation.

6 Jan 1849-State of NC, Rockingham County, In Equity
William R. Strong against John C. Menzies, Adolphus D. Jones, Thomas and
Martha Hamlin

13 Jan 1849-Dr. Joseph H. Hanby, formerly of Patrick C. H., Virginia, has removed to
Rockingham C. H., NC, where his professional services may be obtained.

13 Jan 1849-A sorrel mare was taken up in Rockingham County on December 22 by Mrs.
Martha Johns.

20 Jan 1849-A tract of land on the Dan River called Mulberry Island is to be sold.

17 Feb 1849-Robt. P. Richardson, County Ranger

17 Mar 1849-W. R. Strong is to sell five Negroes on April 25 of the highest bidder in
Leaksville.

17 Mar 1849-George Wesley Reid, son of Rev. Jas. Reid, died December 21 at the age of
26 in Rockingham County.

17 Mar 1849-Alice Osgood Reid, infant daughter of George Wesley and Delila Reid died
March 12 in Rockingham County.

24 Mar 1849-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb. Term, 1849-James B. Hill vs. Tabitha Hill

24 Mar 1849-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb. Term, 1849-Zenith Page vs. Henry and Charles Allen. There were several other cases, also.

7 Apr 1849-Congressional Districts-The fourth district includes Rockingham.

14 Apr 1849-A tract of land on the north bank of Dan River called Allen's Delight, containing 747 acres, is to be sold to the highest bidder on June 26.

14 Apr. 1849-On June 27 a 1000-acre tract of land one mile north of Madison is to be sold.

28 Apr 1849-Medical Graduates-Giles P. Baily of Rockingham County graduated from the University of Pennsylvania.

28 Apr 1849-In Rockingham County on April 24 Rev. William N. Mebane married Romulus H. Gladson to Mary A. Dalton, eldest daughter of Ewell G. Dalton.

28 Apr 1849-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb. Term, 1849-James B. and Tabitha Hill vs. Charles and Nancy Mooney.

12 May 1849-Thompsonville for sale-A 460-acre plantation in Rockingham County where Thomas Thompson resided was sold to the highest bidder on July 31 in front of Morris's Store.

12 May 1849-A Petition for Partition of Land: A Mr. Whitfield Tippet and his wife, Elizabeth, are to appear at the next Term of Court in Wentworth on May 4.

26 May 1849-A Negro woman who murdered the child of Dr. James in Rockingham County was convicted at a term of the Caswell Superior Court. She was hung at Yanceyville the next Friday.

26 May 1849-An article by Rufus H. Smith concerning Shady Grove Academy in Rockingham County.

26 May 1849-Blanks may be had on application to R. J. Johnson in Wentworth.

16 Jun 1849-The Wentworth Masonic Lodge will celebrate the anniversary of St. John the Baptist on June 23.

23 Jun 1849-The President of the North Carolina Railroad Convention appointed Thomas B. Wheeler, W. M. Ellington, and John L. Leseur.

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30 Jun 1849-State of NC. Rockingham County. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1849-R. C. Johnson and others vs Abner Brigendine Administrator

7 Jul 1849-The Funeral of Ex-President Polk will be preached in Wentworth on July 15 by the Rev. Mr. Reid.

7 Jul 1849-Robert P. Richardson of Rockingham will sell at the highest bidder a 236-acre tract of land lying on the Stage Road from Danville to Greensboro.

14 Jul 1849-A number of workers with stock started at Leaksville, NC and have went 15 miles upstream already. Locks are also needed for Leaksville Falls on the Smith River.

4 Aug 1849-A 4-acre lot in the village of Wentworth lying at the southeast corner of the courthouse is to be sold. Another lot close by is to be sold also.

4 Aug 1849-Reuben H. Reid, brother of D. S. Reid and youngest child of Reuben and Elizabeth (Settle) Reid, died on July 29th at age 16 at Wentworth. He was a student at the Wentworth Academy.

4 Aug 1849-A 150-acre tract of land near Wentworth, where Mr. T. Alcorn resides, is to be sold.

11 Aug 1849-Congressional Election-Fourth District-Rockingham County
Hon. Augustine M. Shepperd (Whig)-293 votes
Thomas W. Keene (Dem.)-623 votes

11 Aug 1849-Election of Clerks-Rockingham County-T. B. Wheeler was re-elected clerk of the county, over Ellington, and Mr. Irving was elected Superior Court Clerk.

11 Aug 1849-A mare was taken up by Leonard V. Marsilliott 15 miles south of Wentworth on July 18.

11 Aug 1849-A tract of land in Rockingham County, 300 acres, on which Samuel F. Adams resides, is to be sold at an auction on August 23. Negroes, livestock, and other items to be sold also.

1 Sep 1849-Luke Roach and Sarah Stewart were married in Leaksville on August 23 by the Rev. Benton Field.

1 Sep 1849-On August 28 Lindsay Blackburn and Penelope Moir, daughter of Robert Moir of Rockingham were married by the Rev. Benton Field in Rockingham County.

1 Sep 1849-Ann Eliza Smith, 37, wife of Calvin Smith and daughter of Dr. George Swain of Guilford County, died on June 12 in Rockingham County, leaving a husband and five children. Member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for 16 years.

15 Sep 1849- Robert R. Galloway and Caroline M. Smith, daughter of Samuel Smith were married on September 6 by the Rev. William N. Mebane.

20 Oct 1849-Dr. Robert Page Williamson, of Rockingham County, died at his residence on October 6 at age 46. Survived by wife and children.

27 Oct 1849-Calvin G. Smith and Priscilla M. Henderson were married on October 16 in Rockingham by D. E. Guerrant, Esq.

24 Nov. 1849-Prominent Madison citizens petition Roanoke River improvements.

1 Dec 1849-North Carolina Railroad Convention-Delegates-Rockingham-Joseph Holderby, Rev. B. Field, E. S. Morris

8 Dec 1849-For Railroad Convention-Rockingham bought one out of a hundred shares.

8 Dec 1849-On December 29 in Madison by order of the County Court, as commissioner, John Foy will sell at auction 11 Negro slaves.

22 Dec 1849-The Masonic Grand Lodge of North Carolina held a conference for proposing a motion for a new Masonic School. Wentworth made a bid for it.

22 Dec 1849-Shady Grove Academy in Rockingham County begins its Spring Session on January 1.

5 Jan 1850-"Dew Drop Division" of the Sons of Temperance, joined by delegations from Wentworth, Lawsonville and Fraternal Divisions, met at Lenox Castle, Rockingham County on December 25 for the purpose of celebrating that day by promoting the cause of cold water.

2 Feb 1850-Lawsonville Sons of Temperance Celebration.

9 Mar 1850-An article by R. P. Richardson's concerning a mare found 17 miles southeast of Wentworth by Anderson Bricefield. Article was written in Rockingham County.

6 Apr 1850-State of North Carolina, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Session, February Term, 1850-Henry Godsey vs. Thomas C. Godsey, William F. Godsey, and others.

27 Apr 1850-A Note from F. L. Simpson, Brigadier General to the Commanding Colonels of Rockingham, Forsyth, Stokes, and Guilford Counties concerning the Election for a Major General of the Division of the NC Militia. One poll is to be opened at Reidsville on Apr 20.

4 May 1850-Office of Literary Board-County-Rockingham-Spring Distribution-\$711

11 May 1850-Agency for the Sale of the celebrated Blacksburg Corn Stones, Reynolds & Co., Leaksville, NC

18 May 1850-Mrs. Caroline M. Galloway of Rockingham County died on April 29 in the 19th year of her age.

25 May 1850-Thomas Pinckard and Mary Patterson, both of Franklin County, Virginia, were married at the Hotel in Madison, Rockingham County, NC on May 20 by the Rev. W. N. Mebane.

1 Jun 1850-Whigs of Rockingham County met at the Courthouse on May 28.

22 Jun 1850-Mrs. Elizabeth Stubblefield, widow of Richard Stubblefield, died on June 5 in the 78th year if her age in Rockingham County, NC.

22 Jun 1850-The Fall Session of Shady Grove Academy begins July 15. The subscriber, R. H. Smith, teacher, of the article lives in Madison, Rockingham County, North Carolina.

29 Jun 1850-State of North Carolina, Court of Equity, Spring Term, 1850-William F. Carter and wife, Cora Isora vs. Nathaniel W. Williams and Susan S. Galloway.

6 Jul 1850-The NC Census-fellows appointed to oversee in each county-
Rockingham County-Eastern Division-Francis Watkins
-Western Division-Miles D. King

13 Jul 1850-State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1850-Milton Whitsett vs. Alfred Whitsett, Samuel McNeely, Nancy McNeely

13 Jul 1850-Rockingham County Court-In the matter of the probate of Leven McCollister's last will and testament.

20 July 1850-D. S. Reid & Mexican War vets.

20 Jul 1850-State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1850, -Frederick Stire, Bedford Stire, T. B. Wheeler, Philip Perkins, Susan Perkins vs. John N. Stire, Allen Stire, Balsey Stire, George Evans, Rebecca Evans

27 Jul 1850-Wentworth Certificate concerning a speech made by Governor Manly.

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27 July 1850-Gov. Reid's voting record.

10 Aug 1850-Elections for Governor-Rockingham County

1848-Manly-340 votes

-Reid-968 votes

1850-Manly-337 votes

-Reid-1107 votes

Democratic Gains for Rockingham-142 votes.

10 Aug 1850-Elections for the Legislature-Rockingham County

-Senate-Daniel W. Courts-with opposition

-Commons-Mr. Kellam, T. Ruffin-all democrats-no change

-Poll: Courts, 466 votes

: Kellam, 1024 votes

: Ruffin, 896 votes

: Price, 446 votes

-Sheriff, James Roberts, Dem.

-Poll: James Roberts, 593 votes

: Joseph Cardwell, 556 votes

: Madison Walker, 283 votes

31 Aug 1850-A letter written on August 28 in Leaksville by B. F. concerning a flood in Rockingham County.

31 Aug 1850-A Statement of the Representation of Eastern and Western North Carolina under the White Basis

-Rockingham County-White Population, 9000

-Senators, 1

-Commoners, 2

-A Statement of the Representation of Eastern and Western North Carolina on Federal Basis

7 Sep 1850-A notice concerning a Jarrot Bowling of Rockingham who had died recently.

7 Sep 1850-State of North Carolina, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August Term, 1850-William H., Thomas D., and Allen Price vs. John, Gooding, Granville, Quinton, and Hardin Price; Joseph & Anne Odell; Pleasant & Lucy Norman

14 Sep 1850-Members of the General Assembly

-Senate-Rockingham County-Dan W. Courts

-House of Commons-Rockingham County-T. Ruffin, Jr., Horatio Kallum

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21 Sep 1850-A notice stating that at the Next General Assembly of NC application will be made to have the Town of Madison, in Rockingham County, incorporated.

12 Oct 1850-Common Schools-Rockingham County

-Federal Population-11610

-Spring Distribution-711

-Fall Distribution-1104

-Total Distribution-1815

19 Oct 1850-The New Revenue Law-Of the tax on Interest the following counties pay the largest amounts-Rockingham at \$400.95

19 Oct 1850-On October 16, in Rockingham County, Mr. Anderson H. Webb, of Guilford, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Young, of Rockingham, were married by the Rev. James Reid.

9 Nov 1850-On October 24 near Madison, Rockingham County, Mr. Peter C. Sharp and Miss Margaret A. Cardwell, daughter of Richard Cardwell (deceased), were married by Thomas S. Rosebrough, Esq.

16 Nov 1850-On December 24 a tract of land four miles north-west of Wentworth, known as Eagle Falls Plantation is to be sold at an auction to the highest bidder.

30 Nov 1850-A notice concerning a petition to be presented at the next Legislature of NC to enact that Dan River shall be considered a lawful fence from Madison, Rockingham County to the line of Stokes County.

7 Dec 1850- A notice given that application will be made to the General Assembly now in session to have commissioners appointed for the town of Wentworth, in the county of Rockingham.

14 Dec 1850-At the General Assembly, House of Commons meeting on December 7 Mr. Ruffin proposed a bill to incorporate the town of Madison.

14 Dec 1850-In Rockingham County, at the residence of F. Harris, Mr. Robert H. Woodson and Miss Jane F. Haller were married by Rev. B. Field.

21 Dec 1850-Shady Grove Academy in Rockingham County will begin its Spring Session on January 17.

21 Dec 1850-State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, 1850-Mary Wray vs. Grant A. Wray, William Wray, and others.

21 Dec 1850-Stephen A. Douglas speaks at Wentworth.

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4 Jan 1851-The Honourable David S. Reid, Governor Elect of North Carolina and Miss Henrietta W. Settle, daughter of the Honourable Thomas Settle, were married in Rockingham County on December 19, 1850 by the Rev. Elias Dodson.

4 Jan 1851-The Following Appointments for P. M. W. P. Philip S. White, the eloquent and distinguished Temperance lecturer, have been handed in for publication: Friday and Saturday, the 17th and 18th of January in Rockingham County. To be arranged to suit the convenience of the Divisions.

4 Jan 1851-Joseph Norman wishes to rent his store house situated in Rockingham County, NC. It is 2½ miles east of Ayersville and 7 miles north of Madison.

11 Jan 1851-Government of North Carolina

-Governor-David S. Reid, of Rockingham County; salary-\$2000 a year
-Treasurer-Daniel W. Courts, of Rockingham County; salary-\$1500; clerk-\$500

1 Feb 1851-J. M. Watlington wishes to rent store one mile south of High Rock Tavern.

15 Mar 1851-Pleasant Amos' obituary. Formerly of Madison, died Thursday Am last at Greensborough.

22 Mar 1851-An election will be held at Reidsville, Rockingham County, on April 17, for Brigadier General of the 8th Brigade, 9th Division, NC Militia.

29 Mar 1851-A note written for the Patriot by a Rockingham Whig in Madison on March 25, 1851.

29 Mar 1851-Appointments by the Governor-Governor David S. Reid has appointed the following gentlemen as his aides, with the rank of Colonel, to wit: Thomas Ruffin, Jr., of Rockingham County.

26 Apr 1851-State of NC, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1851-Mary Young vs. Robert Young & others.

26 Apr 1851-State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1851-Jones W. Burton vs. John Field

26 Apr 1851-State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1851-Archer Lythe vs. Robert Henderson

10 May 1851-Common Schools-Rockingham County

-Federal Population-12322

-Amount-739

-Dis.-32

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17 May 1851-On April 30, 1851, Mrs. Sarah Parsell died in Rockingham County at the age of 71. Presbyterian. Survived by husband.

31 May 1851-Abner Wiles obituary-Died May 12, 1851. Resident of Thompsonville. Member of Dew Drop Division #94, Sons of Temperance.

7 June 1851-State of North Carolina, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Spring Term, 1851-Miles O. King vs. John Moore & wife

14 June 1851-Supreme Court-Gentlemen admitted to County Court Practice-Chalmers L. Glenn, Rockingham County

21 June 1851-Shady Grove Academy-The Fall Session to begin on the 2nd Monday in July

26 July 1851-In Madison, North Carolina on July 10, 1851, Mr. George W. Adams of Marion, Smyth County, Virginia, died of dysentery at 21 years of age. A visitor in the town.

2 Aug 1851-State of North Carolina, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1851-Burton & Hamlin vs. John Field

16 Aug 1851-In the 4th District James T. Morehead was elected without opposition. Rockingham County contributed 386 votes.

6 Sept 1851-A S.C. Edwards, former Sheriff of Rockingham County, will, on the 4th Monday in November, in the Town of Wentworth, sell the following tracts of land: 17 tracts of land, all in Rockingham County.

6 Sept 1851-State of North Carolina, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, August 28, 1851-Samuel C. Edwards vs. Joseph Allen

13 Sept 1851-Bar meeting in Wentworth to honor B. W. Aiken, deceased.

11 Oct 1851-Col. O. Smallwood of Greensboro and Mrs. Sarah Galden of Rockingham were married near Leaksville, Rockingham County, on Tuesday last.

11 Oct 1851-State of North Carolina, Rockingham County Court of Pleas and Quarter Session, August Term, 1851-Allen Price, administration vs. Elizabeth Moore, May Moore, and William Read.

18 Oct 1851-Mr. Isaac Colmon, formerly of Rockingham County and Miss Charity C. Beeson, daughter of Absalom Beeson, Esq., of Forsyth County, were married on Sunday evening, the 12th, by P. Kerner, Esq., in Forsyth County.

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8 Nov 1851-Common Schools-Rockingham County

Federal Pop.-12,363

Spring Distrib.-\$730.32

Fall Distrib.-\$1371.39

Total Distrib. for year 1851-\$2101.71

22 Nov 1851-General Jacob Hiatt, of Greensboro and Miss Mary A. Brent, of Rockingham, were married on the 15th inst. at the residence of Gen. Simpson, in Rockingham.

6 Dec 1851-At the NC Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South closed its session, on Monday last, in Salisbury. Bishop Andrews presided. D.W. Doub was appointed for Wentworth in the Greensboro District. T.C. Moses was appointed for Haw River.

13 Dec 1851-In the County of Rockingham, on Monday the 24th inst., John Alcorn, senior, died in the 84th year of his age.

3 Jan 1852-State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, 1851-Herbert & Nancy Williams vs. Daniel Boyles

3 Jan 1852-Miss Mary Cobb, a student at Spring Garden, died on December 16, 1851. Member of Spring Garden Presbyterian Church.

10 Jan 1852-Supreme Court-The following gentlemen have been admitted, after examination before the Judges, to practice in the several county courts of this state (North Carolina)- Rockingham County-Pinckney Scales

17 Jan 1852-A Proclamation from Gov. David S. Reid concerning a Constitutional Amendment on voting.

17 Jan 1852-State of North Carolina, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Fall Term, 1851-Alfred M. Scales vs. Margaret Scales in a petition for divorce

31 Jan 1852-Supreme Court-Cases argued on the 23rd and 24th: Phillips vs. Allen, from Rockingham. Submitted by Morehead, for Plaintiff, and Miller, for Defendant.

14 Feb 1852-Gov. Morehead, President of the NC Railroad, has advertised in the Salisbury, Concord, and Charlotte papers for the delivery of sills for the Road from Charlotte to Salisbury.

6 Mar 1852-The Whigs of Rockingham County assembled at the court house in Wentworth on Thursday the 26th of February for the purpose of appointing delegates to the Whig State Convention, to be held in Raleigh.

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27 Mar 1852-Supreme Court adjourned on Monday last-the following additional opinions were delivered: In Carter vs. Williams, in Equity, from Rockingham, directing the decree to be reversed.

3 Apr 1852-County of Rockingham has 8747 white inhabitants, 12363 Federal Number, 1434 No. of votes, and \$2497.70 amount of taxes.

10 Apr 1852-In Greensboro, on the evening of the 6th inst., by the Rev. President Deems, Rufus L. Patterson, Esq., of Caldwell, married Miss Marie Louise Morehead, daughter of Gov. Morehead.

17 Apr 1852-A Col. Wheeler's History will be at Randolph, Davidson, and Caswell Superior Courts for delivery and sale.

24 Apr 1852-A Proclamation by Gov. David S. Reid

1 May 1852-A note concerning the improvement of the Dan River. It mentions connecting Madison by steam boat navigation with the Richmond and Danville Railroad at Danville, and a plank road constructed from Madison to Greensboro to connect the central road at Greensboro.

1 May 1852-A note concerning the Improvement of the Dan River by Joseph H. Cardwell, Ch'm. -A meeting had been held in the Temperance Hall in the town of Madison, NC, on Saturday the 24th of April, 1852 concerning the river.

29 May 1852-Ministers' and Deacons' meeting for the Madison Section of the Beulah Association will be held with the Baptist Church in Madison on the 5th Sabbath in May at 11 AM.

5 June 1852-A few plain questions about Gov. Reid.

12 June 1852-In Rockingham County, June 4th, by Albert Lomax, Esq., Mr. John B. Webster married Miss Eliza Jane Long.

19 June 1852-An article concerning a Discussion at Fayetteville about candidates for Governor-Gov. Morehead is mentioned.

19 June 1852-In Rockingham County on June 15 , after a long confinement by paralytic stroke, Major Nathan Massey died, aged about 79 years.

26 June 1852-On June 22, Reuben Reid, the father of the present Governor of the State, David S. Reid, died in Rockingham County, aged about 68 years.

3 July 1852-Article concerning Gov. Reid and succession.

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3 July 1852-Article concerning Gov. Reid's inaugural address.

10 July 1852-A speech of the Hon. J. T. Morehead.

17 July 1852-A report by John M. Morehead, President, concerning the North Carolina Railroad Company.

17 July 1852-North Carolina-Rockingham County-A Petition to sell land-Hugh Wilson vs. George Halcom & wife

17 July 1852-North Carolina, Rockingham County-May Term, 1852-Bethell & Holderby vs. John Wardlow

24 July 1852-Gov. Reid's Proviso Vote

31 July 1852-Article concerning candidates in Rockingham
For Senate Geo. D. Boyd, democrat, without opposition
For the Commons-Gen F. L. Simpson, dem.
Alfred Scales, dem.
Alfred Reid, dem.
For Sheriff-James Roberts
William Donnell
Turner D. Patterson

14 Aug 1852-Votes for Governor-Rockingham
1850-Manly-337
Reid-1107
1852-Kerr-356
Reid-1072

4 Sept 1852-A Democratic Meeting was held at the Courthouse in Wentworth for the purpose of taking steps to select a Democratic Elector for the 4th District.

11 Sept 1852-On the 18th ult., in Marshall County, Mississippi, by the Rev. Thomas Blackwell, Col. Thomas B. Jones, of De Soto, married Miss Hannah S. Reid, daughter of I. D. Reid, of Marshall-all formerly of Rockingham County, North Carolina.

18 Sept 1852-State of NC-Rockingham County-Taken up in this county, on the 10th inst., by Alex M. Searcy, 2 1/2 miles south of Madison, one bay mare, aged about 11 years-Note by Ro. P. Richardson, Ranger

25 Sept 1852-Near Madison, Rockingham Co., NC, on August 31, by the Rev. W. N. Mebane, James Irvin, Esq., Clerk of the Superior Court of Rockingham, married Miss Lucy V. Dalton, daughter of Gen. S. A. Dalton, late of Mississippi.

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25 Sept 1852-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Session, August Term, 1852-Alfred M. Whitsett & others vs. John Whitsett

9 Oct 1852-The Legislature-Senate-38th District-George D. Boyd
House of Commons-Alfred Reid, Alfred M. Scales, Jr.

23 Oct 1852-A Message by Gov. John Morehead

23 Oct 1852-Gov. Morehead returned home on Saturday last, after an absence of some three weeks on the lower end of the NC Railroad.

23 Oct 1852-Prof. Emmons, State Geologist delivered an interesting lecture on geology, mineralogy, agriculture, & c., in Madison, Rockingham County, NC, on Tuesday evening last.

6 Nov 1852-Common Schools-Rockingham Count-
Fed. Pop.-12363
Spring Distr.-\$989.04
Fall Distrib.-\$1112.67
Total Distrib. for 1852-\$2101.71
Deducted for Deaf & Dumb-\$75.00
Balance Due-\$1037.67

6 Nov 1852-Notice-Application will be made to the General Assembly of NC, for the passage of an Act to pay Tales Jurors and those who serve on a special venire, for the County of Rockingham.

20 Nov 1852-Official Vote of NC-Rockingham County
Reid-1072
Kerr-350
Pierce-823
Scott-342

20 Nov 1852-In Rockingham, on Thursday, the 28th ult., by the Rev. J. H. Pickard, Mr. Samuel V. Young, of Guilford, married Miss Margaret J., daughter of David Scott, Esq., of Rockingham.

27 Nov 1852-The Announcement of the Resignation of the Hon. Thomas Ruffin, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of NC

18 Dec 1852-The Legislature-D. W. Courts, the present incumbent, was re-elected Treasurer for two years.

8 Jan 1853-Article concerning a card of the Rockingham members, issued at the close of the session of the Legislature, and concerning the Senator George D. Boyd of Rockingham.

8 Jan 1853-On Wednesday the 22nd of December His Excellency David S. Reid was inaugurated in the presence of the 60th House, of the General Assembly, as Governor of the State of North Carolina for the next two years.

15 Jan 1853-A notice about Leaksville Tallow candles

29 Jan 1853-In Middleton, Hyde County, NC, on Saturday the 15th of January, Mrs. E. F. Thompson, wife of William C. Thompson, late of Thompsonville, Rockingham County, NC, died.

29 Jan 1853-Died: In Washington City(DC), January 19, Mrs. Martha Martin Douglas, wife of Senator Stephen A. Douglas, of Illinois, and daughter of Col. Robert Martin, dec'd, of Rockingham County, NC.

5 Feb 1853-Last week's Danville Register states that a number of hands had passed through Danville on their way to the coal mines, in Rockingham County, NC, for the purpose of mining.

5 Feb 1853-The Congressional Districts-Sixth District-Rockingham
Pierce-823
Scott-342

5 Feb 1853-On last Wednesday night, in this place, a youth named Washington Orrell stabbed a negro boy, Stephen, belonging to Gov. Morehead.

5 Feb 1853-On Wednesday morning the 2nd inst., by the Rev. Benton Field, Mr. Marcus C. Holderby and Miss Sallie C. Mills, were married, all of Rockingham County, NC

12 Feb 1853-Gov. Reid has notified the members of the Council of State to meet in Raleigh on the 17th of this month.

19 Feb 1853-Notice-There is in my possession a Trunk found by one of my neighbors on the Stage Road near Hillsboro. Notice by E. S. Morris of Thompsonville, Rockingham Co., NC

26 Feb 1853-NC State Bonds in Market-The Public Treasurer, Daniel W. Courts, Esq., advertises in the Raleigh Standard of the 12th inst., \$500,000 of State Bonds for sale.

26 Feb 1853-Railroad Convention-Rockingham and other nearby counties are invited to send delegates to this convention for the purpose of forming a joint stock company to construct and build a Rail Road. Convention to be held in the town of Yanceyville, NC, on Tuesday the 5th of April.

5 Mar 1853-At Rockingham County Court this week, the Jurors were discharged on Tuesday evening. Elections to offices held also.

19 Mar 1853-Valley of the Dan-coal deposits

26 Mar 1853-Post Routes-From Greensboro to Madison, in the County of Rockingham.

26 Mar 1853-In Madison, NC, on March 12, Miss Emma Smith, daughter of Mrs. Eliza Smith, aged about 13 years, died.

9 Apr 1853-In Salisbury, on Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. A. Baker, Mr. William M. Peacock, of Rockingham, NC, was married to Miss Virginia W. Brown, daughter of M. Brown, Esq.

16 Apr 1853-Whig Convention-Delegates for Rockingham County-John H. Dillard and C.L. Glenn

23 Apr 1853-A thank you card by J. Holderby of Reidsville, NC for the help people gave him in stopping a fire.

23 Apr 1853-In Marlboro, Massachusetts, on the 8th inst., Edith Ann, wife of J. H. Bullard, formerly of Leaksville, NC, aged 22 years, died, leaving a husband and two infant children.

30 Apr 1853-On Sunday morning, April 17th, at Lowe's Chapel in Rockingham County, NC, by the Rev. D. W. Doub, Mr. Henry Baker, of Louisburg, NC, married Miss Dehlia A. Reid, of Thompsonville.

30 Apr 1853-At the same time and place as the above, and by the same Rev. D. W. Doub, J. N. Thompson married Miss Mary A. Brannock, both of the County of Rockingham.

7 May 1853-In Rockingham County on the 28th ult., by the Rev. D. W. Doub, Mr. David M. Osborne married Miss Mary P., daughter of Daniel E. Guerrant, Esq.

21 May 1853-In the County of Callaway, State of Kentucky, on the 26th of March last, Mrs. Sarah Stubblefield, of the county of Rockingham, NC, died.

28 May 1853-Valuable Land and Mill for sale in the County of Rockingham, State of NC. The Tract of land is 450 acres and 3 miles southwest of Lawsonville on the waters of Hogan's Creek. Article by W. D. Bennett and E. P. Jones

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25 June 1853-Notice is hereby given that there will be meetings held and addresses delivered by different individuals, at the following times and places, for the purpose of arousing the people along the line of the great importance of constructing a good plank road from Greensboro, via Hamburg, Bruce's Cross Roads, and Madison in Rockingham County, direct to the Virginia line-to which meetings, everybody, particularly the farmers in the immediate vicinity, are most cordially invited and pressed to attend: Madison, Rockingham County on July 6th.

2 July 1853-Capt. Robt. H. Wariner died.

2 July 1853-Miss Virginia E. Nunnally, 16, died June 9, 1853 at the home of her brother-in-law, Capt. Robert H. Warner (Wariner). Leaves two brothers and one sister.

2 July 1853-The Candidates for Congress-Col. Puryear, of Yadkin, and Mr. Boyd, of Rockingham, in the Sixth Congressional District-will address the people at the following times and places: in article.

9 July 1853-Several letters from Prof. E. Emmons to David S. Reid.

9 July 1853-Nathaniel H. McCain, son of Dr. James W. and Anna E. McCain, aged 5 years and 6 months, died in Rockingham County on June 20.

16 July 1853-A negro man named Aaron, between 38 and 40 years old, very black, about 5 feet 5 inches, weighing about 150 or 160 pounds, ran away from the subscriber, David Scott, living 6 1/2 miles southeast of Wentworth, Rockingham County on June 28. A reward of \$200 is offered for the apprehension of the said negro.

6 Aug 1853-At Midway, on Tuesday, July 19th, by the Rev. Lemon Shell, Mr. Charles McGehee, of Madison, NC, married Miss Mary E. Beard, daughter of H. G. Beard.

6 Aug 1853-On the 19th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Hernford, Dr. John T. Matthews, of Stokes, married Miss Frances R. Price, of Rockingham County.

6 Aug 1853-Article by James M. Allen concerning a Rail Road Convention at Wentworth, NC

6 Aug 1853-An article concerning a new stage line carrying mail from Salem to Reidsville.

13 Aug 1853-Clerks Elected-Rockingham-County Court, William M. Ellington, Whig, over T. B. Wheeler, Dem.

Superior Court-James Irvin-re-elected without opposition

13 Aug 1853-Leaksville Cotton Yarns for sale-Article by R. G. Lindsay.

20 Aug 1853-North Carolina Congressional Elections-District 6-Rockingham
Puryear (W)-365
Boyd (D)-1026

3 Sept 1853-In Rockingham County, on the 14th of August, at the residence of Mr. Alfred Reid, his brother John J. Reid, in the 36th year of his age, after protracted and painful disease of the liver, died.

10 Sept 1853-On the 31st of August, at the residence of W. E. Starling, by the Rev. William Anderson, Dr. W. R. Smith, of Rockingham County, married Mary Starling, of Henry County, Virginia.

17 Sept 1853-A Railroad Convention-mentions a Col. John A Fagg, of Madison.

24 Sept 1853-A note for the Patriot concerning a meeting in Madison, NC

8 Oct 1853-A letter to David S. Reid concerning the common schools.

29 Oct 1853-On the 17th, by N. M. Gardner, Esq., at the residence of Mr. John Young, Mr. Levin Ozment, late of Orange County, married Miss Mary Craig of Rockingham County.

26 Nov 1853-Appointments of the NC Conference-Methodist Episcopal Church
Greensboro District-Haw River-R.T. Heflin
W.B. Richardson
Rockingham-Ira T. Wyche
Wentworth-Joshua Bethel
William Anderson

26 Nov 1853-In Guilford on Tuesday evening the 15th by the Rev. Henry Tatum, A.F.D. Tatum, Esq., married Mrs. Martha C. Ward, late of Rockingham County, NC.

26 Nov 1853-In Rockingham County, November 1st, by the Rev. Henry Tatum, Mr. James Goldsby married Miss Sarah Neal, daughter of Mr. William Neal, both of Rockingham County, NC

10 Dec 1853-A notice to bridge builders concerning a bridge across Dan River 4 miles north-west of Wentworth, at Eagle Falls.

Part II, 1854-1874, will continue in the next issue of the Journal.

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ROCKINGHAM COUNTY NEWS ITEMS FROM THE GREENSBOROUGH PATRIOT

PART TWO: 1854 - 1874

Abstracted by
Clinton Fagge

Preface

One of the most under utilized sources available to local genealogical and historical researchers is the local newspapers- essentially because few newspapers from earlier days have been indexed. In Rockingham County this fact is compounded by the lack of local newspapers for the first half of the nineteenth century. Few, if any, researchers are willing to go to the time of scanning issue after issue of newspapers in the hopes of finding that vital "tidbit" of needed information.

This issue of the Journal will attempt to bring some "undiscovered" news of Rockingham County to light. Since few issues of mid-nineteenth newspapers from this county survive we oftentimes depend upon issues of the Greensborough Patriot for articles from or related to Rockingham and surrounding counties

The Society wishes to thank Clinton Fagge for going through the issues of the Patriot from 1826-1874 and abstracting Rockingham County news items. No abstraction or indexing of this kind of material can be without errors or omissions, nevertheless this should prove to be a most helpful guide to anyone who has nineteenth century connections to Rockingham County. The following abstracts are brief and are only intended to serve as a guide to the actual complete article on microfilm. In Rockingham County the Madison Public Library and the Rockingham Community College Library at Wentworth have the reels of the Greensborough Patriot which patrons may consult.

Appreciation is extended also to Michael Perdue and Bob Carter for making available to Clinton their copious abstracts of Patriot news items made over the past twenty years and to Julia Gunn who indexed both Journals.

Greensborough Patriot

Abstracts of some Rockingham County News, Part II, 1854-1874 Abstracted and compiled by Clinton Fagge

7 Jan 1854-In Rockingham County on Tuesday the 20th of December, by the Rev. Robert Shreve, Mr. James R. Lindsay married Miss Melvina C. Ratliffe.

7 Jan 1854-On the 22nd of December, 1853, by the Rev. Stinceon Ivey, George W. Webster, Esq., of Stokes, married Miss Sallie Ann, daughter of John Joyce, Esq., of Rockingham.

7 Jan 1854-A Madison School for Young Ladies is to start in the town of Madison. Principal is the Rev. Jacob Doll.

7 Jan 1854-A note by James Irvin concerning Wentworth Male Academy.

14 Jan 1854-The following gentlemen have been admitted to the Superior Court practice: Thomas Settle, Jr.-Wentworth, NC

14 Jan 1854-On Wednesday the 4th inst., Mrs. Sarah Wright at her residence in Rockingham County, NC, died in the 54th year of her age, of pneumonia. Three young grandchildren survive.

21 Jan 1854-Lynchburg and Leaksville Railroad discussed.

11 Feb 1854-In Madison, NC on Thursday night, Feb. 2nd, Walter Lowrie, son of the Rev. Jacob Doll, died aged 2 years and 27 days.

18 Feb 1854-At his residence in Madison, Rockingham County, NC, on the 7th inst., Henry S. Anderson, died, aged about 35 years, leaving a widow, Angelina A. Clemmons, and 3 children. Born April 30, 1818, married July 2, 1845. Wife formerly of Davidson County. He was a member of Buena Vista Lodge #21, Odd Fellows.

18 Mar 1854-A proposal to link Wentworth & Danville by plank road.

15 Apr 1854-On Sunday evening the 9th inst., at Rawlinsburg, Rockingham County, NC, after an illness of only two days, Capt. Thomas W. Wariner passed away, in the 62nd year of his age. Hotel keeper and Postmaster. Leaves widow and son.

***Inst. (instant) = current month. Ult. (Ultimate) = previous month.

13 May 1854- NC Common Schools-Rockingham County
Fed. Pop.-12463
Amount for County-\$1483.56

3 June 1854-In Rockingham County, on the 30th of May, by the Rev. Nathan Anderson, Dr. John G. A. Dick married Miss Mary Patterson, daughter of Mr. William E. Patterson, all of Rockingham County.

10 June 1854-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1854-John Ratliff vs. Zera McDaniel

10 June 1854-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1854-Thomas S. Gallaway vs. Zera McDaniel

1 July 1854-North Carolina, Rockingham County-N. L. Blackwell, Admr., vs. Job Atkins and others

8 July 1854-The Post Office at Thompsonville, Rockingham County, NC, was some time since removed to High Rock, and Gen. Simpson was appointed postmaster.

8 July 1854-In the county of Rockingham on Monday morning the 26th of June 1854, Mrs. Martha Courts, wife of Mr. Robert H. Courts, died in the 54th year of her age, leaving husband and five daughters.

5 Aug 1854-Senatorial Districts of NC-38th-Rockingham County

5 Aug 1854-Official Vote of NC, of Governor, in 1852
Rockingham-Reid-1072
Kerr-356

12 Aug 1854-NC Election-The Legislature-Rockingham
Senate-George D. Boyd
Commons-Thomas Settle, Jr.
Joseph Neal

12 Aug 1854-Sheriffs Elected-James Roberts without opposition for Rockingham County.

12 Aug 1854-A House & a lot for sale in Madison, Rockingham County-Note is by D.A., J.P., and N.C. Gillespie

26 Aug 1854-A large tract of Haw River land for sale-Article by Jesse Benbow.

9 Sept 1854-In Rockingham County on Monday the 4th, Martin L., son of John and Rhoda Winchester, died, aged 19 years, 5 months, and 18 days.

***Inst. (instant) = current month. Ult. (Ultimate) = previous month.

16 Sept 1854-In Rockingham County, on the 8th inst. of congestive fever, Frances, wife of Samuel E. Adams, and daughter of the late Reuben Reid, died.

30 Sept 1854-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August Term, 1854-Martha Whittemore vs. J. B. Whittemore and others.

14 Oct 1854-At his residence near Madison in Rockingham County, NC, on the 2nd inst., Thomas Smith, aged 72 years, died. He had been confined to his bed for about four years by disease.

14 Oct 1854-At his residence in the county of Rockingham County, NC on Monday the 2nd inst., Mr. Joseph Holderby, aged 81 years, 11 months, and 3 days, died.

28 Oct 1854-In Rockingham, on Sunday the 22nd inst., by Robert Napier, Esq., Mr. G. C. Molloy married Miss Ruth J. Peay.

28 Oct 1854-Mrs. Sallie Mills, relict of Mr. Matthew Mills, died at her residence in Rockingham County, on Tuesday, the 10th day of October, 1854, in the 60th year of her age.

11 Nov 1854-Gov. Morehead contracted 9,000 tons of Iron for the North Carolina Rail Road.

18 Nov 1854-NC Annual Conference- Methodist Episcopal Church South - Greensboro District-

Wentworth-Joshua Bethell
W. Anderson

2 Dec 1854-Masonic Celebration-The Anniversary of St. John, the Evangelist, will be celebrated by Wentworth Lodge No.111, on Wednesday the 27th day of December next.

2 Dec 1854-On the 14th ult., by the Rev. William J. Ogburn, Mr. Charles A Hawkins, of Mississippi, married Miss H. Newton Smith, daughter of C. R. Smith, of Rockingham County, NC.

9 Dec 1854-Rockingham High School, Wentworth, NC-The Spring Session commences January the 8th, 1855. Gallaway & Smith are teachers.

23 Dec 1854-Near Mt. Airy, Surry County, NC, on Thursday evening the 7th ult. by the Rev. Jesse Roberts, Mr. James W. Davis of Stokes County, NC, married Miss Ednie Jane Smith of Rockingham County, NC.

23 Dec 1854-Wentworth Masons to hold special service.

6 Jan 1855-Daniel W. Courts, of Rockingham County, has been re-elected Public Treasurer of the State of North Carolina.

6 Jan 1855-Daniel Arney, about 13, of Leaksville was killed in a hunting accident, December 8, 1854.

6 Jan 1855-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, 1854-Permelia Smith vs. Joshua T. Smith & others.

20 Jan 1855-At the residence of Col. Balsley, in Rockingham County, NC, on the 3rd day of January, 1855, William C. Priss, of Tampa Bay, Florida, died.

17 Feb 1855-On the 25th ult., by the Rev. Robert Shreve, Powhatan D. McCollum, Esq., married Miss Mary Ann, daughter of Mr. Henry Moore, all of the county of Rockingham.

3 Mar 1855-In Macon, Georgia, on the 23rd of January, Mr. R. W. Scales, of Rockingham County, NC, and Miss Fannie R. Martin, daughter of the late John Martin, of Macon, were married.

10 Mar 1855-Died in Guilford, on Wednesday night, March 7, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell, aged about 57 years, wife of Robert Mitchell, dec'd. She was a native of Rockingham County, NC.

9 June 1855-In Madison, NC, on Monday morning, the 4th inst., after a short and painful illness, Chas Hodge, infant son of Rev. J. Doll, died.

16 June 1855-Madison Male Academy

23 June 1855-The Candidates for Congress in the Sixth District, Col. R. C. Puryear and A. M. Scales, will address their fellow-citizens at the following times and places in Rockingham County:

Wentworth-June 27

Madison-June 26

Leaksville-June 28

Reidsville-June 30

6 July 1855-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Session, May Term, 1855-Charles Hamlin vs. Zera McDaniel

13 July 1855-Ran away from the subscriber, Lewis Davis, in October of 1854, my negro girl, Maylon, about 15 years of age. She was raised by Mr. James Young in Rockingham County, NC.

27 July 1855-At Madison, NC, on the 10th inst., by Rev. Mr. Mebane, Mr. John S. Moore, of Texas, married Miss Emma Martin, of Madison.

3 Aug 1855-In Rockingham County, on July 8th, by A. P. Smith, Esq., Mr. Joseph Farmer married Miss Ann Moore, daughter of Drury Moore.

3 Aug 1855-In the county of Rockingham, on the 14th of July, an infant daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Gentry died, aged about 12 months.

10 Aug 1855-Vote of the State-6th District-Rockingham
Bragg (Dem.)-1036
Dockery (Whig)-317

17 Aug 1855-Near Leaksville, NC, on June 28, 1855, of diarrhea, John E. Field, son of the Rev. Benton Field, died, aged 18 years.

17 Aug 1855-Wm. Albert Field, son of T. W. Field, died on the 28th, aged 10 months.

28 Sept 1855-At Thompsonville, Rockingham County, on the 13th inst., by the Rev. John H. Pickard, Mr. Edward Watlington married Miss Jane Thompson, daughter of the Rev. James Thompson.

9 Nov 1855-Rockingham County Superior Court-murder cases:
Reuben Samuel for murder of Reuben Southard.
J. B. Vaughan for killing Randall, a slave.

23 Nov 1855-From the Rockingham Democrat-George D. Boyd writes on Dan River navigation.

7 Dec 1855-For the Patriot:

Wentworth-A portion of the citizens of Rockingham met in the courthouse for the purpose of establishing an Agricultural Society in the county. Article by Thomas Settle, Chairman

18 Jan 1856-Postmaster at Madison, NC

28 Mar 1856-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb. Term, 1856-Nathaniel Vernon, Thomas Lewellin, David Scott, Richard Martin, Andrew Martin, Benjamin F. Webster, John Chandler, and Drury Smith vs. Richard Martin, Jr.

28 Mar 1856-Ad. for new jail at Wentworth.

4 Apr 1856-American meeting in Leaksville concerning Millard Fillmore

25 Apr 1855-Democratic State Convention- Electors for the State at large-A. M. Scales, Jr. of Rockingham

16 May 1856-Obituary of Capt. Thomas Blackwell, a magistrate, who died on April 18, 1856 at age 80.

15 Aug 1856-The Vote of NC-Rockingham

1854-Bragg (Dem.)-1035

Dockery (Whig)-311

1856-Bragg (Whig)-1168

Gilmer (A)-439

15 Aug 1856-Election Returns-Rockingham County-Senate,

George D. Boyd, loco, 536

Wharton, American, 134

Commons-A. M. Scales, loco

Thomas Settle, Jr., loco

A portion of the American cast their votes for Jas. R. Dillard, 276 and D. E. Guerrant, 258

James Roberts was re-elected Sheriff without opposition.

22 Aug 1856-In Leaksville, NC, on the 21st of June, 1856, Mrs. Susan Caroline, wife of M. J. Hampton, died, in the 28th year of her age.

5 Sept 1856-The Legislature-Senate-Rockingham-

Senate-George D. Boyd, dem.

House of Commons-A. M. Scales

Thomas Settle, Jr., d.

12 Sept 1856-On the 5th of August last, by the Rev. J. E. Douglas, at the residence of her father, Mr. Greene W. Reid, of Somerville, Tenn., (formerly of Rockingham County, NC) married Miss Myra D. Gober, of Fayette County, Tennessee.

19 Sept 1856-On Thursday evening, the 4th inst., by Rev. Peter D. Guarrant, Rev. Benton Field married Mrs. Lucy Lane, both of Rockingham County, NC

26 Sept 1856-In Madison, NC, on Thursday, the 11th day of September, Miss Virginia M. Reid, 16, daughter of Alfred and Elizabeth Reid, of Rockingham County, died.

26 Sept 1856-Ex-Governor Morehead addressed a convention

3 Oct 1856-A Speech by Gov. Morehead

3 Oct 1856-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August Term, 1856

Nicholas Brown and Richard Martin, Sr. vs. Richard Martin, Jr.

17 Oct 1856-On Monday, the 6th inst., by the Rev. W. N. Mebane, Mr. William H. Robertson, of Leaksville, married Miss Mary Hamlin, daughter of Mr. John Hamlin of Surry.

24 Oct 1846-Remarks of Gov. Morehead

24 Oct 1856-Statement that Messrs. Leach and Settle, Electoral Candidates for the 6th District, will address the people of Wentworth on Tuesday at Rockingham Superior Court.

31 Oct 1856-In Leaksville, NC, on the 22nd inst., Mr. Daniel W. Arney died.

14 Nov 1856-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Fall Term, 1856
William Conner vs. Nathan Moore and others.

21 Nov 1856-George D. Boyd, of Rockingham, nominated for NC Senate Principal Clerk, the former Clerk, the Hon. John Hill.

21 Nov 1856-NC Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church South-Appointments-Wentworth: B. M. Williams.

21 Nov 1856-In Pittsylvania County, VA, on Sunday the 9th inst., by George L. Aiken, Esq., Mr. M. J. Hampton of Leaksville, NC married Miss Theresa Jones, daughter of Capt. Benjamin Jones, of Henry County, VA

21 Nov 1856-On the 18th inst., by the Rev. Mr. McNeilly, Mr. J. Q. Roberts married Miss Barbara M. Thomas, all of Rockingham County, NC

28 Nov 1856-At his residence in Rockingham County on Friday the 21st inst., David Scott died in the 76th year of his age.

5 Dec 1856-NC Election-Rockingham-

Fillmore-359

Buchanan-1001

Gilmer-439

Bragg-1168

5 Dec 1856-In Wentworth, NC, on Saturday night, at 10 o'clock PM, by T. W. Keen, Esq., Mr. Charles Baker married Miss Elizabeth Oakley, all of Rockingham County, NC

19 Dec 1856-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Nov. Term, 1856-Elizabeth Allen vs. Ennis Allen, Samuel Allen, and others

19 Dec 1856-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Nov. Term, 1856-William Scott and others vs. Andrew and Pinckney C. Scott

26 Dec 1856-On the 16th inst., by the Rev. William J. Ogburn, Mr. William Woodson Wharton married Miss Jemima J. Reid, daughter of Alfred Reid, Esq. , all of Rockingham County, NC

9 Jan 1857-State of NC, Rockingham County-In Equity
Lawrence Noles and wife Nancy, and others vs. Samuel, Charles, and Henry Allen

9 Jan 1857-In Madison, NC, on the 23rd of December by the Rev. J. Doll, Mr. John E. Hoskins, of Greensboro, married Miss Ellen, daughter of G. Black, Esq.

9 Jan 1857-State of NC-In Equity-
Edward Whit and wife and others vs. Joseph Hooper and others

9 Jan 1857-State of NC-Rockingham County-In Equity-
Jeremiah Suits and wife Martha, and others vs. Samuel, Charles, and Henry Allen

16 Jan 1857-At his residence in Rockingham County, on Jan. 1, 1857, of pneumonia, Mr. Pearson Moore died in the 57th year of his age.

23 Jan 1857-More lawyers admitted to practice in the County Courts of this state
J. P. Holderby-for Rockingham County

30 Jan 1857-The American Party supporter writes from Leaksville, NC, on January 17, 1857

6 Feb 1857-The Rockingham Coal Road Charter bill defeated in NC Senate.

13 Mar 1857-In Madison, on the 26th ult., by Rev. W. N. Mebane, Mr. W. R. D. Lindsay married Mrs. Jane R. Aiken

20 Mar 1857-In Rockingham County, on the 3rd inst., by Francis L. Simpson, Esq., Mr. Jas. A. Jones married Miss Sarah E. Webb, all of Rockingham.

17 Apr 1857-In Madison on Monday morning, after only twenty-four hours illness, Eugene Spright, daughter of R. H. and Mary Ann Gladson, died aged 5 years, 3 months, and 28 days.

24 Apr 1857-On the 19th inst., by R. T. Williams, Esq., Wilson D. Moore and Miss Margaret S., daughter of Pleasant Hopkins, Esq., were married. All were of Rockingham County, NC

24 Apr 1857-In Rockingham, on the 14th inst, by Rev. Dr. Doub, Mr. John M. Scales of Pittsylvania County, VA, and Miss Mary C., youngest dau. of Walter F. Leak, Esq., were married.

24 Apr 1857-On the 31st of March, by Rev. William McFerrin, Mr. Zalmon Reid, of Marshall County, Miss. (formerly of Rockingham County, NC) and Miss Mezana J., daughter of Mr. Jesse Applewhite, of Fayette County, Tenn. were married.

8 May 1857-In this place on Wednesday evening the 29th of April, by Marcillus Jordan, Esq., Mr. Joseph H. Allen, and Miss Eliza Apple, both of Rockingham County, were married.

8 May 1857-In Rockingham County, April 28th, Angeline W. Winchester, daughter of Whitfield and Mary Winchester, died at the age of 11 years and 4 months. Student at Hillsdale Academy.

19 June 1857-Obituary of Capt. Thomas B. Wheeler, a prominent Wentworth citizen, who died a few weeks ago. Former NC Legislature doorkeeper; former Rockingham County Clerk of Court; bachelor; lived with nephew in latter years.

26 June 1857-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1857

Claiborn W. Alverson vs. Charles D. Slaughter

26 June 1857-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1857

B. H. Carter vs. John N. Cobb

26 June 1857-Obituary of Mary S. Ellington, at Wentworth, who died on June 12, age 31. She was the wife of William M. Ellington.

3 July 1857-In Leaksville, NC, on the 24th of May, Mary Annie H. Reynolds, only child of Jn. M. Reynolds, died, in the 21st year of her age. Member of M. E. Church (South).

3 July 1857-In Rockingham County, NC, on the 2nd of June, Sallie P. Winston died in the 20th year of her age. She was the daughter of Edward Winston, dec'd, cousin of Mary Annie Reynolds (see above).

10 July 1857-On Thursday morning, the 2nd inst., by the Rev. N. F. Reid, Mr. John M. Davis, Principal of Rockingham High School, and Miss Maria, daughter of James Wright, Esq., of Wentworth, were married.

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24 July 1857-On the 23rd of June, by Rev. William J. Ogburn, Dr. Elijah Martin, of Guilford, and Miss Martha J. Winchester, of Rockingham, were married.

24 July 1857-On Tuesday the 14th inst., by Rev. Wm. J. Ogburn, P. R. Wharton and Mrs. Jane Young, all of Rockingham County, were married.

14 Aug 1857-In Rockingham County, on the 10th of July, at the residence of her brother-in-law, Richard B. Henderson, Miss Nancy N., daughter of Thomas Godsey, died.

14 Aug 1857-Obituary of Thomas Settle, Sr. who died last week. US Congressman and Judge.

21 Aug 1857-Congressional and Free Suffrage Vote-Sixth District-Rockingham County
Scales-1401
Puryear-382
Ap'd-1173
Not Ap.-388

21 Aug 1857-At the residence of Jacob Lineberry, High Point, NC, on the 18th inst., Betsy Ann Smith, daughter of Cornelius and Rachel Smith, deceased, died, aged 15 years, 6 months, and 9 days.

2 Oct 1857-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August Term, 1857

Rebecca Roper vs. Randall Roper and others
Rebecca Roper vs. C. L. Green

30 Oct 1857-On the evening of the 22nd inst., by Rev. J. H. Pickard, Mr. R. G. Johnson and Miss Mary Elizabeth Scott, all of Rockingham, were married.

13 Nov 1857-Fall Distribution of the School Fund-Rockingham County-\$1483.56

4 Dec 1857-Beulah Male Institute in Madison, NC is to begin a new session on January 6, 1858.

11 Dec 1857-In Leaksville on Tuesday the 1st of December by Jones W. Burton, Esq., Mr. William A. Ellington, of Rockingham County, married Miss Mary Ann Sims of Leaksville.

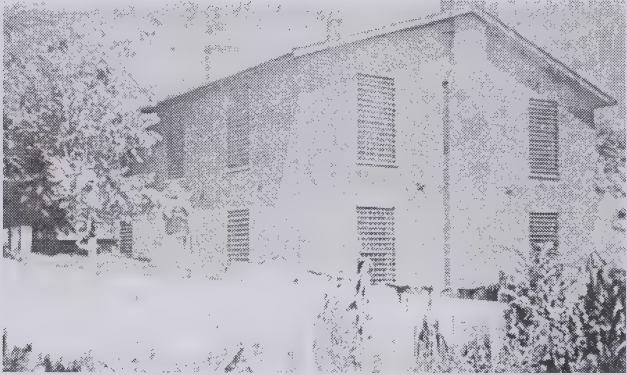
11 Dec 1857-At his residence near Leaksville in Rockingham County, NC, on November 8th, Mr. Thomas Hamlin died, in the 92nd year of his age. Came to Rockingham County from Charlotte County, Virginia, about 1824.

PHOTO PAGE

Rockingham County Jail

John Milton Davis

Mariah W. Wright



The 1857-58 Rockingham County Jail at Wentworth as it appeared in the early 1900s.

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Mariah W. Wright (1834-1915) Daughter of James Wright of Wright Tavern at Wentworth. Married John M. Davis in 1857.



John Milton Davis (1828-1897) Schoolmaster in Wentworth in the 1850s. Later moved to Emory, Virginia.

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11 Dec 1857-In Rockingham County, NC, on Friday, the 27th ult., of Typhoid fever, James Ratliff died, in the 60th year of his age.

18 Dec 1857-NC Conference-Appointments for the Preachers-Greensboro District-
Wentworth-Alfred Norman

18 Dec 1857-Sale of valuable property to be sold on December 22 which was once owned by the late John M. Cunningham. The land is situated near the Haw River. Article by John H. Dillard.

25 Dec 1857-On the morning of the 12th inst., at her father's residence in Rockingham County, of Hysterior, Anne G., daughter of Mr. John Brooks, died, aged 28 years and 3 months.

8 Jan 1858-On the 17th ult., by Rev. John Stadler, Mr. Abraham Walker, of Rockingham, and Miss Martha, dau. of Capt. Richard Jones, of Caswell, were married.

8 Jan 1858-In Rockingham County, on the 13th ult., Martha T., daughter of F. B. and Sally Moore, died in the 20th year of her age.

8 Jan 1858-Ad for Beulah Academy in Madison.

15 Jan 1858-Letter from a Leaksville resident related to the Lecompton Constitution and Stephen A. Douglas.

22 Jan 1858-Article written by Robert L. Moore of Troublesome, Rockingham County, NC, concerning the building and repairing of mills.

22 Jan 1858-On the 17th inst., by A. G. Walker, Esq., Mr. James M. Vaughn and Miss Emely J. Griffith, were married-all of Rockingham.

29 Jan 1858-In Wentworth, on the 20th ult., by Geo. D. Boyd, Esq., Mr. Samuel B. Wray and Miss Susan Crafton, were married-all of Rockingham.

5 Feb 1858-In Rockingham County, on the 20th of March, 1845, Zealotus Wing, aged about 70 years, died. He was born on July 4, 1776. "Publication is made at this late date that relatives at a distance may know of his death."

19 Feb 1858-In Madison, Rockingham County, NC, on the 9th inst., by the Rev. B. M. Williams, Mr. Thos. M. Woodburn and Miss Jane A. Harris, were married-all of Madison.

5 Mar 1858-In Leaksville, NC, on the 20th of February, Mrs. Caroline Strong, wife of Wm. R. Strong, and daughter of Terrill Hopper, died, leaving four children.

19 Mar 1858-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb. Term

Patrick S. Williams, Albert Lomax, and William P. Williams vs. David H. and Joseph J. Poindexter

26 Mar 1858-A Letter to the Editors from a Leaksville supporter of American Party.

21 May 1858-Caswell and Rockingham Counties lauded by Danville Paper.

28 May 1858-Near Wentworth, NC, on Tuesday morning, the 18th inst., by Rev. W. J. Ogburn, Mr. H. P. Lomax and Miss Martha J. Roach, daughter of Thomas Roach, were married.

28 May 1858-In Wentworth, NC, on Thursday morning, the 13th inst., by the Rev. Alfred Norman, Mr. Robert A. Moir and Miss Sallie E. Allen, daughter of James Allen, deceased, were married.

11 June 1858-On Thursday evening, the 6th of May, by the Rev. John H. Pickard, Mr. Thomas A. Ratliff, of Wentworth, and Miss Martha R., daughter of Richard B. Johnston, deceased, were married.

11 June 1858-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1858

Nancy Vaughn vs. R. D. Williams and others

Jas. Bason, Adm'r. vs. R. D. Williams and others

25 June 1858-In Rockingham County, on the 15th inst., and in the 22nd year of her age, Mrs. Jemima Jane Wharton, consort of Mr. W. Woodson Wharton, and daughter of Alfred and Elizabeth Reid, died.

25 June 1858-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1858

Pool & Stacy vs. Joseph B. Holderby

2 July 1858-In Rockingham County, on Tuesday, June 26th, Joseph J. Poindexter died, aged about 45, leaving two or three children without father or mother.

9 July 1858-In Rockingham County, on the 2nd inst., at the residence of her son, Johnson Crawford, Hannah Crawford, aged 88 years, 9 months, and 22 days, died.

16 July 1858-At his residence in Rockingham County, on Monday morning the 5th day of July, 1858, John William Robertson, aged 39 years and some months, died.

1 Oct 1858-On the 21st of September, by Alexander M. Roach, Esq., Mr. Thomas W. Climer, of Guilford, and Miss Mag. Martin, of Rockingham, were married.

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1 Oct 1858-On the 21st of September, by A. Garret Walker, Esq., Mr. Craven Huffines and Miss S. A. Susan Hopkins were married-all of Rockingham County.

1 Oct 1858-In the county of Rockingham, on Sabbath morning, the 19th of September, Mrs. Mary J. Dick, wife of Dr. John G. A. Dick, died in the 23rd year of her age.

17 Dec 1858-On the 7th inst., by the Rev. Wm. J. Ogburn, Mr. John A. Roach, of Rockingham, and Miss Rhoda E. McMichael, of Guilford, were married.

14 Jan 1859-State of NC, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Nov. Term, 1858 John McGibbony & wife vs. Obediah McMichael and others

21 Jan 1859-High price of slave sales at Wentworth.

21 Jan 1859-In Rockingham County, on the 12th inst., Mrs. Sally F. Massey, consort of N. J. Massey, died, aged about 22 years.

21 Jan 1859-Capt. James Dillard died on January 2, 1859 at the age of 80.

28 Jan 1859-Ex-Gov. Morehead responds to statements against his character.

28 Jan 1859-Greensboro and Leaksville Railroad chartering issue still before the General Assembly.

11 Feb 1859-Allen Price, Jr. died on January 31, 1859 at age 24, of consumption.

25 Feb 1859-On the 17th inst., at Gov Reid's, in Rockingham County, by the Rev. E. Dodson, Anselon Reed, Esq., of Hillsdale, NC, and Miss Annie C., youngest daughter of the late Reubin Reid, Esq., were married.

4 Mar 1859-Notice-The General Commissioners chartering the Dan River Coal Field Railroad Company, met in the Town of Wentworth on March 2, 1859.

4 Mar 1859-In Madison, Rockingham County, NC, on Saturday morning, the 19th ult., of typhoid fever, after an illness of 5 days, David R. Adams died in the 18th year of his age. Student at Beulah Institute.

1 Apr 1859-Letter to George L. Aiken from George D. Boyd of Hermitage, Rockingham County, NC

15 Apr 1859-Railroad meeting in Wentworth

15 Apr 1859-The Danville Connection-The Danville paper gives notices of a meeting to be held at Leaksville, NC on the subject of the proposed Dan River Coalfield Railroad.

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20 May 1859-Near Madison, Rockingham County, on Sunday morning, the 8th inst., Rev. Wm. N. Mebane died, aged about 50 years. Presbyterian Minister.

10 June 1859-At the residence of Tyre Glenn, Esq., in Yadkin County, on the evening of the 26th ult., by Rev. J. B. Solomon, the Hon. Thomas Settle, Jr., of Wentworth, and Miss Mary Glenn, were married.

24 June 1859-Benton J. Field, of Rockingham, is an Agent for the Patriot Office

24 June 1859-Beulah Male Institute Commencement at Madison.

24 June 1859-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1859

Jones W. Burton vs. Ann Roach and others

1 July 1859-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1859

Thomas W. Keen vs. William Blair and wife

29 July 1859-Letter concerning Whig Party strength in Rockingham County.

26 Aug 1859-Congressional Vote-1859-6th District-Rockingham County

W. Leach-402 votes

D. Scales-1417 votes

2 Sept 1859-State of NC, Rockingham County-In Equity-

Elizabeth Allen and others vs. Wm. F. and Edward R. Windsor

2 Sept 1859-State of NC, Rockingham County-In Equity-

Samuel and George Hairston vs. Hardin Hairston and others

2 Sept 1859-Letter about Gov. Morehead and Leaksville Factory

7 Oct 1859-Susan M. May died on September 21 at age 15 months, daughter of J. W. and Elizabeth A. May..

14 Oct 1859-On the 22nd of September, in Rockingham County, by the Rev. Mr. Shuck, Mr. Martin Grogan and Miss Martha Scales, were married-all of Rockingham.

28 Oct 1859-Poem-"Hills of Dan"

11 Nov 1859-The Dan River Coal Field Railroad-The citizens of Rockingham desire to have it.

25 Nov 1859-On the 27th of October, by William Gilbreath, Esq., Mr. William P. Causey, of Guilford, and Miss Dianah J. Moore, of Rockingham, were married.

2 Dec 1859-At the residence of the bride's father, in Guilford County, on the 22nd of November, by the Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, Mr. Henry E. Bains, of Madison, and Miss Sallie Bell Fitzgerald, were married.

23 Dec 1859-Wentworth Academy-Rockingham County, NC

13 Jan 1860- At the recent session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South-The following were appointed in the Greensborough District: Wentworth-D. R. Bruton

13 Jan 1860-In Rockingham County, on the 5th instant, Andrew Matier (Mateer), aged about 63 years died.

20 Jan 1860-Watches and jewelry located in Leaksville, NC-Article by Benton J. Field

20 Jan 1860-Valuable Hotel Property for sale in Wentworth by T. W. Patterson

20 Jan 1860-Ad. For Leaksville Academy operated by Rufus H. Smith.

27 Jan 1860-On the 12th instant, by J. A. Ratliff, Esq., Mr. John C. Moore and Miss Mary E. Hagood, were married-all of Rockingham.

27 Jan 1860-Resolution of Dan River Masonic Lodge on death of John R. Duncan..

27 Jan 1860-In Rockingham, on the 10th instant, by A. M. Roach, Esq., Mr. Jas. C. Williams and Miss Artemia T. Williams, were married.

27 Jan 1860-Near Wentworth, on the 12th inst., by J. Q. Montgomery, Esq., Mr. Wm. J. Manly and Miss Ann C. Walters, were married.

3 Feb 1860-In Rockingham County, on the 24th of January, by the Rev. D. R. Bruton, Mr. William Busick, of Miss., and Miss Martha Jarrell, were married.

3 Feb 1860-In Greensborough on the 1st instant, by J. F. Jollee, Esq., Mr. John K. Churchill, of Madison, NC, and Miss Mary C. Brower, of Pittsborough, were married.

10 Feb 1860-In Rockingham County, on the 2nd instant, by Samuel H. Boyd, Esq., Mr. Zebedee Isley and Miss Elizabeth Thomas, were married.

17 Feb 1860-An opposition party (Whig) meeting was held in Leaksville, Rockingham County, NC, on the 4th day of February.

24 Feb 1860-In Camden, Alabama, of Typhoid fever, Nathan J. Massey, a citizen of Rockingham County, NC, died, aged 24 years. (See Obituary for wife – 21 Jan 1859.)

9 Mar 1860-In Rockingham County, on the 22nd of February, by the Rev. D. R. Bruton, Mr. Nathaniel Sullivan, of Forsyth, and Miss Elizabeth P., daughter of Robert Moir, Esq., of Rockingham, were married.

9 Mar 1860-In De Kalb, Miss., on the 7th of January, 1860, Mrs. Ruth S. Dabbs, widow of Andrew H. Dabbs, deceased, died in the 56th year of her age. She was a native of Rockingham County, NC.

6 Apr 1860-Dan River & Saura Town Poem.

4 May 1860-In Rockingham County, NC, on the 17th of April, 1860, John H. Grogan, aged 28 years, died.

4 May 1860-On the 19th of April, Mrs. Levina T. Grogan, widow of Robert Grogan, deceased, died, aged 54 years, leaving 8 children to mourn.

11 May 1860-In Leaksville, NC, on the 23rd of April, by Rev. D. R. Bruton, Wm. R. Strong, Esq., and Mrs. Mary E. Downs, both of Leaksville, were married.

11 May 1860-In Americus, GA, on the 30th ult., Thomas R. Stone, of Rockingham County, died, aged about 30 years.

11 May 1860-Conviction of Robt. T. Williams of murder of "Peggy" Isley.

18 May 1860-Trial of Robt. T. Williams.

22 June 1860-Conflicting reports on Stephen Douglas support in Rockingham County.

22 June 1860-On Tuesday, the 12th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. G. F. Ellis, Mr. Thomas Price of Rockingham County, NC, and Miss Mildred Wolf of Dayton, Alabama, were married.

13 July 1860-In Rockingham County on the 26th of June, Mary Irvin died in the fifty-third year of her age.

20 July 1860-Madison Military Institute in Madison, Rockingham County, NC

20 July 1860-Valuable Property to be sold by Wm. W. Wharton in Rockingham County.

27 July 1860-John M. Reynolds died at Leaksville on July 9, 1860, age about 50.

10 Aug 1860-Madison Female Seminary ad.

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- 17 Aug 1860-Vote for Governor-Rockingham County
1856-Bragg (D)-1168; Gilmer (W)-439. 1860-Ellis (D)-1127; Pool (W)-444.
- 24 Aug 1860-North Carolina, Rockingham County, In Equity-Spring Term, 1860
N. M. Cliner and Jane Wharton, admrs. of Jas. Young, deceased. Petition to
sell land.
- 7 Sept 1860-Douglas Convention-The following delegates chosen-Rockingham County:
Dr. Thos. W. Kean
Thos. Settle
Col. E. W. Hancock
Richard H. Wray
Dr. J. W. Ellington
- 14 Sept 1860-Gov. Reid sides with Breckenridge.
- 14 Sept 1860-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August
Term, 1860
B. H. Carter & Co. vs. J. G. S. Weatherford
- 20 Sept 1860-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August
Term, 1860-Giles P. Bailey, Thomas J. Motley, and R. W. Lawson vs. J. M. Thomas
- 4 Oct 1860-Change of Gen. James M. Leach's appointments: Rockingham County,
Wentworth, Tuesday, October 30.
- 25 Oct 1860-On the 2nd of October, by the Rev. D. R. Bruton, Mr. John C. Blackwell, of
Caswell, and Miss Eliza J. Jarrell, of Rockingham County, were married.
- 8 Nov 1860-In Rockingham County on the 22nd of October, 1860, by the Rev. D. R.
Bruton, Capt. Wm. M. Ellington, Clerk of Rockingham County Court, and Mrs. Isabella
Moore, widow of Pearson Moore, deceased, and daughter of the late David Scott of
Rockingham County, NC, were married.
- 15 Nov 1860-Robert T. Williams to be hanged on November 30.
- 29 Nov 1860-On November 1st by the Rev. Jacob H. Smith, Mr. John N. Irvin of
Rockingham, and Miss Emily C., daughter of James Miner, of Guilford, were married.
- 13 Dec 1860-N.C. Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Nov. Term,
1860-A. H. Motley & brothers vs J. G. S. Weatherford and W. J. M. Thomas
- 20 Dec 1860-Appointments for the Preachers of the NC Conference of the Methodist
Episcopal Church, South: Wentworth-D. R. Bruton

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Richard H. Wray
Rev. Lewis H. Shuck

Richard H. Wray (1825-1907)
Antebellum Whig Party and postwar
Republican leader in Reidsville. For a
number of years was the Reidsville
railroad depot agent.

Courtesy of William E. Wray, Jr.



Rev. Lewis H. Shuck (1836-1911)
Noted Baptist minister and educator.
Operated Madison's Beulah Male
Institute.

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Rockingham Community College

3 Jan 1861-In Rockingham County, on the 9th day of November, George Purcell, Sr., aged about 90 years, died. As a child, remembered the Battle of Guilford Courthouse (1781).

17 Jan 1861-On the 15th of January, by A. W. Lineberry, at the bride's father, Arch. Wilson, John A. Price of Rockingham County married Miss Sallie J. Wilson of Guilford County, NC.

24 Jan 1861-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Pleasant Black, Adm'r of Thomas Jenkins, Dec'd vs. The next of kin, of the said deceased, names unknown.

31 Jan 1861-A store for sale in Thompsonville, Rockingham County, NC. Article by A. B. Powell

7 Feb 1861-In Rockingham County, NC on the 20th of July, 1860, Ellen Godsey, in the 15th year of her age, died. A few days later her sister, Obedience Godsey, in the 17th year of her age, died. Both were daughters of Henry Godsey.

14 Feb 1861-On the 7th inst., by Samuel H. Boyd, Esq., Mr. Hardy Melvin of Guilford and Miss Alice A. Jones, of Rockingham County, were married.

21 Feb 1861-Article concerning a charter for a Railroad from Greensborough to Leaksville.

21 Feb 1861-Article concerning a secession meeting held in Rockingham County, NC

21 Feb 1861-Meeting in Rockingham County

21 Feb 1861-In Alamance County, on the 14th inst., by Moses A. Murray, Esq., Mr. R. A. Michel of Rockingham, and Miss Julia A. Murray, of said county, were married.

21 Feb 1861-In Wentworth, Rockingham County, NC, on the morning of the 8th inst., James G. Simms, in the 28th year of his age, after an illness which lasted but a few days, died.

28 Feb 1861-Notice to the voters of Rockingham County by E. T. Brodnax.

14 Mar 1861-Railroad chartered from Danville to Rockingham Coalfields.

28 Mar 1861-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb. Term
J. B. Whittemore, assignee of Harding & Brother vs. William J. Watkins
J. B. Whittemore, assignee of J. W. & J. P. Marshall vs. the same
J. B. Whittemore, assignee of Talbot & Brother vs. the same

4 Apr 1861-On Tuesday evening, the 2nd inst., by R. B. Henderson, Esq., Mr. John K. Crawford and Miss Harriet Catharine, daughter of Cornelius Cook, all of Rockingham County, were married.

30 Apr 1861-In Rockingham County, NC, on Friday the 12th inst., Abner Watkins died in the 85th year of his age. Joined the Methodist Church 60 years ago.

3 May 1861-Rockingham companies being formed for Confederate service.

17 May 1861-E. T. Brodnax & David S. Reid are delegates to the secession convention.

14 June 1861-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term
James K. Lea vs. J. G. S. Weatherford and Wm. J. M. Thomas

14 June 1861-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term
Wm. R. Strong vs. George D. Moore
Jas. W. Burton, admr. vs. the same
R. L. Downs

13 Feb 1862-Officers and Members of the State Convention:
Rockingham -D. S. Reid, E. T. Broadnax.

13 Feb 1862-Census of NC: Rockingham-
White-10021; Free Colored-407; Slaves-6318; Total-16746

18 Feb 1862-Piedmont Railroad chartered.

20 Feb 1862-Court dates set- Superior, Thos. Ruffin of Orange County rides the 4th Circuit (including Rockingham): 5th Monday after the 4th Monday in March & Sept. Pleas & Quarter Sessions: Rockingham: 4th Monday in Feb., May, Aug., and Nov.

6 Mar 1862-Rockingham: Militia Companies raised. Capt. Samuel H. Boyd, 1st Lt. Wilson D. Moore, 2nd Lt. James A. Hopkins, 3rd Lt. A. T. Walker, Col. John H. Dillard, Dr. James Courts, Dr. John W. May.

24 Apr. 1862-NC, Rockingham County, In Equity, George D. Boyd vs. David B. Lynch, James M. Haynes

24 Apr 1862-Piedmont Railroad Commissioners appointed.

22 May 1862-Books of subscription for stock in Piedmont Railroad open.

12 June 1862-At his father's residence, in the County of Rockingham, on Sunday evening the 18th of May, of Typhoid fever, Mr. James Peyton Holderby, died, in the 27th year of his age.

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17 July 1862-At his father's residence in Rockingham County, NC, on Friday the 26th of June, Nathan Allen Osborne, second son of D. M. Osborne, formerly of Guilford, died in the 15th year of his age.

21 Aug 1862-Vote for Governor (1862)-Rockingham County

Vance-533

Johnston-255

4 Sept 1862-Wm. Scott is offering a valuable plantation on the waters of Haw River, on the South part of Rockingham County, NC.

11 Sep 1862-In Madison, NC, of pulmonary consumption, on September 3, Mrs. Mary A. Shuck, wife of Rev. L. H. Shuck, died in the 25th year of her age. Leaves two children.

25 Sept 1862-Legislature of NC-Rockingham County

Senate-F. L. Simpson

House of Commons-W. I. Gilliam

James Reynolds

20 Nov 1862-Rockingham County Bar honors Chalmers Glenn & Jas. P. Holderby.

11 Dec 1862-Valuable Hotel and Property for sale in Wentworth, Rockingham County, NC. To be sold on Monday the 4th day of January 1863. Sold by J. Q. Beasley

25 Dec 1862-NC Methodist Protestant Conference-Appointments-Haw River-C. F. Harris

8 Jan 1863-Married near Madison by Rev. D. R. Bruton, Capt. H. G. McGehee and Miss Mollie Webster.

15 Jan 1863-Near Madison, NC, on the 8th inst., by Dr. D. R. Bruton, Dr. John W. Colston of South Carolina, and Miss Sarah W. Baugh(n) of Rockingham County, were married.

15 Jan 1863-Of diphtheria, on the 28th of December, 1862, in Madison, NC, Powahatan Wathal, son of Mr. C. F. and Mrs. Julia Watkins, died, aged 3 years and 10 months.

22 Jan 1863-Donations by Madison District 10th Regiment, Rockingham County, NC

12 Feb 1863-NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court Law, Fall Term, AD 1862
Frances Watkins and John G. Watkins, Esq. of Abner Watkins, Deceased vs.
William D. Watkins

19 Feb 1863-Captain Wilson D. Moore died in a camp near Goldsboro, NC, on the 5th instant from the effects of a vaccination. He was a native of Rockingham County and was in his 29th year.

26 Mar 1863-Leaksville Hotel for Sale

26 Mar 1863-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb. Term
Nancy Chambers vs. T. Chambers and others
J. Ware, admr' of R. Chambers vs. Thomas Chambers and others

26 Mar 1863-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Feb. Term
Elizabeth Canady vs. A. Canady & others

9 Apr 1863-Near Madison, NC, on the 31st of March, by Rev. D. R. Bruton, Thomas C. Irion, Esq. of Alabama, and Miss Martha B. Baughn of Rockingham County, NC, were married.

9 Apr 1863-Benjamin F. Meador, son of James F. Meador of Rockingham County, NC, died on November 19th, 1862, aged about 19 years, of pneumonia.

9 Apr 1863-Rockingham County-Federal Population in 1860-14219
Spring Distribution of Literary Fund- \$1552.94

9 Apr 1863-Stolen, from the plantation of J. W. Neal, decd., near Lawsonville, Rockingham County, on Thursday night the 5th of March, a dark bay mule. Notice by Philemon Neal.

23 Apr 1863-On the 20th of February, 1863, Nancy Emeline, daughter of David M. and Mary R. Osborne, of Rockingham County, NC, died, aged 7 years and 3 months.

23 Apr 1863-Wm. R. Strong, of Leaksville, desires to sell hotel in Leaksville.

30 Apr 1863-Charles J. L. Williams of Thompsonville found stray horse.

21 May 1863-Rockingham County planters meet concerning restrictions in tobacco production

25 June 1863-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term
Rufus J. French, adm'r of George Wright, dec'd vs. William Wright and others

2 July 1863-Departed this life, at his residence in the county of Rockingham, after a protracted illness of more than eighteen months, David J. Rawley, Esq., in the 62nd year of his age.

16 July 1863-A. B. Gallaway of Rockingham County possesses 43 stalks of rye from one seed.

20 Aug 1863-Coal from near Leaksville

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27 August 1863-At the residence of her husband in Catawba County on July 19th, 1863, Mrs. Emily C. Lindsay, consort of Dr. Andrew Lindsay, died. She was born in Rockingham County, NC, in 1841.

10 Sept 1863-Meeting in Wentworth endorses John A. Gilmer & prosecution of the war.

24 Sept 1863-Pelham is established as depot on Piedmont Railroad.

8 Oct 1863-Wanted at Eagle Falls Coal Mines, in Rockingham County, NC, six good miners.

15 Oct 1863-Trial trip up Piedmont Railroad-13 miles.

22 Oct 1863-Now there is a Tri-Weekly Stage Line from Greensboro to Madison.

29 Oct 1863-Fall Distribution of NC Literary Fund-Rockingham County

Fed. Pop.-14219

Spring Distr.-\$1652.93

Fall Distr.-\$2066.16

Total Distr.-\$3719.09

for Deaf and Dumb and Blind-John H. Belton, Benjamin Belton, Deaf and Dumb, \$150.00.

5 Nov 1863-On the 13th inst., at the house of the bride's father, Joseph H. Cardwell, Esq., of Rockingham County, NC, by Rev. D. R. Bruton, Mr. David S. Patrick and Miss Alice Cardwell, were married.

5 Nov 1863-Passenger trains operate on Piedmont Railroad from Danville to Staceyville.

12 Nov 1863-In Barnwell, SC, on October 29th, by Rev. Mr. Perry, Rev. Lewis H. Shuck, late of Madison, NC, and Miss Gassie J. Trotti, youngest daughter of the late Gen. G. J. Trotti of Barnwell, were married.

3 Dec 1863-"Fannie B.", poem to prisoners on Johnson's Island.

10 Dec 1863-On November 26th, 1863, by G. D. Boyd, Esq., at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Hugh K. Adams and Miss Bettie F. Green, were married, all of Rockingham County, NC.

10 Dec 1863-Rockingham County commended on her contribution to war effort by the Patriot.

17 Dec 1863-Engineer Myers' ad. for negro laborers on Piedmont Railroad.

7 Jan 1864-In town of Madison is a lot of 6 acres and a 6-room dwelling for sale by Dr. T. F. Coyle.

14 Jan 1864-Stolen on night of the 11th a brown horse, over medium size, and has one eye out. Article by J. M. Grogan, Grogansville, NC.

28 Jan 1864-New tri-weekly stage line going from Greensboro to Madison

4 Feb 1864-At the residence of P. C. Chance, in Rockingham County, NC, on the 22nd of January, 1864, Mrs. W. A. Chance, wife of P. F. Chance, of Co. K., Thirteenth N. C. T., died.

4 Feb 1864-A public meeting was held at Lenox Castle for the citizens of Rockingham County, NC, on the 23rd of January, 1864.

11 Feb 1864-Stolen, from the subscriber, on the night of the 11th instant, a brown horse. Article by J. M. Grogan of Grogansville, NC.

18 Feb 1864-At the residence of her husband, Mr. James Wright, in Wentworth, Rockingham County, NC, Mrs. Ella Wright, mother of Mrs. Numa F. Reid, died, in the 64th year of her age.

24 Feb 1864-Meeting held at Lenox Castle on the 23rd of last month.

24 Feb 1864-Stage coach line from Greensboro to Madison complete to Reidsville, soon to Greensboro. New telegraph line.

3 Mar 1864-Piedmont Railroad-soon to be completed.

10 Mar 1864-Will be sold at Reidsville on Piedmont Railroad, on Thursday the 15th day of March, 1864, \$50,000, Rockingham County Coupon Bonds.

24 Mar 1864-NC, Rockingham County, In Equity: Edward Sterling Harris by John Strong his Guardian vs. Robert Bryant and wife Matilda and the Bank of the State of NC, and Allen Price

24 Mar 1864-NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Fall Term, 1863-
Peter P. Watkins vs. William D. Watkins

31 Mar 1864-Piedmont Railroad news

14 Apr 1864-More on the Piedmont Railroad

28 Apr 1864-Chief Enrolling Office, 6th Cong., D. :

69th NC Regt., at Wentworth, May 27 , 28, 30, 31

70th NC Regt., at Wentworth, June 1-4

28 Apr 1864-Of paralysis, at his residence in Rockingham County, on the 6th of March, Mr. James Walker died, on the 71st year of his age.

12 May 1864-More on the Piedmont Railroad

19 May 1864-Contractor's Office of Piedmont Railroad.

9 June 1864-Conscription exams for 69th & 70th NC Reg'ts, at Wentworth.

9 June 1864-\$25 Reward for a runaway named Jake who ran away from Martin Miller of Monroeton, Rockingham County, NC, on April 18. He was about 18.

1 Aug 1864-Poem on Col. S. H. Boyd who was killed in battle.

25 Aug 1864-Tri-weekly stage comes to Madison-by J. S. Brown

15 Sept 1864-In Wentworth, Rockingham County, NC, on the 8th of September, Mr. Seth Morris, boot-maker, died in the 72nd year of his age. Unmarried, with no known relatives. Born in Nansemond County, Virginia; a Presbyterian; buried at Wentworth Methodist Church.

15 Sept 1864-NC, Rockingham County-John Lillard and Frances Lillard vs. Salley Giles and others

22 Sept 1864-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August Term, 1864-Nathan Canaday, adm'r of Wm. Canaday vs. Absulam Canaday and others.

29 Sept 1864-Died at Madison, NC, on Friday evening, Sept 24th, Willie Lee, infant son of Calvin J. and Adelaide Scales.

29 Sept 1864-Reward for a bright bay horse about six years old who was stolen from Mrs. Mary Ann Currie on the night of the 23rd-Robert W. Jones, Wentworth, NC

3 Oct 1864-Plantation of David Settle Reid for rent.

24 Nov 1864-NC Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church:

Appointments: Haw River-R. H. Wills, Supt.

J. M. Waynick, Asst.

Madison Mission-N. J. Roberts, Supt.

J. P. Eller, Asst.

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27 Nov 1864-Ad for renting a plantation and negroes 1 1/2 miles from Reidsville.

8 Dec 1864-\$300 reward for the recovery of Mary Ann Currie's horse

15 Dec 1864-In Rockingham County, NC, on Wednesday evening, the 7th inst., by Rev. Gannon, Mr. Z. D. Mitchell, of Petersburg, VA, and Mrs. P. J. Palmer, of Rockingham County, were married.

15 Dec 1864-On the 31st of October, 1864, in the 12th year of his age, at his father's residence in Rockingham County, NC, Willie, the third child and eldest son of William and Rhoda Scott, died.

26 Jan 1865-Reward for escapees from Wentworth Jail:Solomon Lee & Frank Wollie.

26 Jan 1865-A runaway negro boy named Henry, age 13, has a \$100 reward for his return-John W. Blackwell.

26 Jan 1865-Jailbreak in Wentworth-Jas. H. Hall, Jailor

9 Feb 1865-Railroad contract lost-J. W. McDonald, Reidsville.

9 Feb 1865-H. Jones Gunn, of Rockingham County, age 15, died at the Boyden House of Salisbury, NC, of erysipilas (sic), youngest son of James Gunn. Died while on a visit to his soldier brother stationed at Salisbury..

23 Feb 1865-Fall Distribution of the NC Literary Fund:

Rockingham County-Federal Pop. -14219

Fall Dist.-\$1652.94

2 Mar 1865-\$200 reward for the return of C. G. Terry's horse which was stolen in Reidsville. The horse is a chestnut sorrell.

2 Mar 1865-\$500 reward-Ran away on the 22nd a mulatto named Jerry, aged 21 years.-E. M. Powell, Reidsville. (Repeated - 30 Mar 1865)

23 Mar 1865-Organization of the Home Guard-Rockingham Co. is in the 2nd Regt.
Col. Masten of Forsyth is commanding.

30 Mar 1865-\$500 reward for a stolen mule offered by A. H. Motley near Ruffin, NC.

30 Sept 1865-Official Vote of Rockingham County for delegates to State Constitutional Convention:

Settle-772

Ward-430

Holderby-395

Galloway-301

Reynolds-201

Lindsay-77

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30 Sept 1865-At the residence of her parents, Jeremiah and E. A. Deanes, of typhoid fever, on the 4th of August, 1865, N. E. Deanes died, aged 30 years, 1 month, and 21 days. She was a member of the Christian Church at Mt. Bethel, Rockingham County, NC

21 Oct 1865-Mrs. Agnes Robinson, consort of Dr. R. R. Robinson and daughter of Capt. James and Lucy Dillard, departed this life at the residence of her husband in Leaksville on the 19th inst., aged 33 years and 4 days. For 8 years a member of the Methodist Church. Survivors include husband, two small children, aged mother, two brothers and two sisters. Buried in the family burial ground.

21 Oct 1865-Announcements for Office-Rockingham County-We are authorized to announce Joseph Holderby as a candidate to represent Rockingham County in the approaching State Convention.

9 Mar 1866-Bill to change gauge of the Piedmont Railroad.

9 Mar 1866-At his father's, Wm. R. D. Lindsay, in Madison, Rockingham County, NC, on Monday morning the 12th inst., Lt. G. H. Lindsay died in the 34th year of his age.

6 Apr 1866-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1866

Wm. P. Hopkins, adm'r of Logan Chamberlin vs. Jack Chamberlin and others.

18 May 1866-Departed this life in Reidsville, County of Rockingham, this morning of the 8th inst., of typhoid pneumonia, Mr. John M. Irvin, in the 23rd year of his age.

8 June 1866-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Spring Term, 1866
James P. Dillard, adm'r of Thos. Reece, dec'd vs. Mary Holland

15 June 1866-By Rev. A. W. Lineberry, on the 3rd of June, Col. John A. Mebane, of Guilford, married Miss Fannie Walker of Rockingham county.

15 June 1866-Near Wentworth, Rockingham County, NC, on May 30th, 1866, by Rev. D. R. Bruton, Wm. B. Lowe, Esq., of Springfield, Tenn. married Miss Sue P. Stevens, daughter of the late Rev. Mr. Stevens of Kentucky.

27 July 1866-On Sunday evening the 15th inst., of typhoid fever, Mrs. Isabella Martin, consort of Mr. Baily Martin, of Rockingham, died in the 71st year of her age.

27 July 1866-NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Spring Term, 1866-
Richard Johnson vs. C. J. Ragland.

27 July 1866-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term

Thomas Pratt vs. Edward S. Harris

Jas. B. Dillard, administrator vs. R. E. S. Harris

Thomas Reynolds vs. R. E. S. Harris

Jas. C. Martin vs. E. S. Harris

John Strong vs. R. E. S. Harris

W. W. Odle vs. E. S. Harris

Phillip Gates vs. E. S. Harris

24 Aug 1866-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Fall Term, 1866-John
D. Watkins vs. Robert W. Scales

19 Oct 1866-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August
Term, 1860

Wm. D. Bethell vs. Sandford Lanier

19 Oct 1866-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August
Term, 1866

A. F. Odle vs. E. S. Harris

Joseph Austin vs. ?

R. G. Hopper vs. E. S. Harris

Wm. A. Lash vs. ?

J. H. Wilson vs. ?

9 Nov 1866-A large assembly of citizens of the county of Rockingham convened at
Wentworth on the 30th of October 1866 to draw up resolutions upon the death of Ex-
Governor Morehead.

9 Nov 1866-A light bay horse was stolen from the Jno. W. Williams, near Reidsville on
the 15th of October. A \$25 reward is offered for the horse and \$25 for the thief.

23 Nov 1866-Official Vote for Governor

Rockingham: Worth-616; Dockery-4

14 Dec 1866-NC, Rockingham County, NC, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions,
November Term, 1866

Charlotte Johnson vs. Rawley G. Johnson and others

14 Dec 1866-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November
Term, 1866

Rawley Johnson and George W. Johnson, administrators of Wooden Johnson
vs. John W. Johnson and others, heirs at law of Wooden Johnson.

21 Dec 1866-NC, Rockingham Co., Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Nov. Term

James E. Hopkins vs. Jesse Palmer

Thomas H. Pritchett, Adm'r vs. Jesse Palmer

John H. Tatum, Adm'r vs. Jesse Palmer

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25 Jan 1867-At the residence of his grand-father, Rev. Thomas Thompson, in Rockingham County, NC, on the 20th of January, Thos. Bailey Thompson, son of the late Wm. G. Thompson, died.

25 Jan 1867-A. M. Scales gets a Presidential pardon.

25 Jan 1867-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Fall Term, 1866

Hamilton Scales vs. Wm. Dalton and others

Henderson Joyce vs. Wm. Dalton and others

P. M. Stone vs. Wm. Dalton and others

Nathaniel Scales vs. Wm. Dalton and others

Walter R. Smith vs. Wm. Dalton and others

25 Jan 1867-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Fall Term, 1866

James C. Smith and Joseph H. Smith vs. John W. May and Henry Barnes

25 Jan 1867-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Equity, Fall Term, 1866

John Barns vs. Robt. Martin and others

8 Feb 1867-NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Fall Term, 1866

B. R. Webster vs. John W. Foy

8 Feb 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Fall Term, 1866

Zachariah Groom vs. O. T. Purcell

8 Feb 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Fall Term, 1866

Pleasant Black vs. Anderson Edrrell (sic)

8 Feb 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Fall Term, 1866

George W. Griffin vs. James M. Walker

22 Feb 1867-Notice-I will give ten dollars reward for the delivery to me of William Wright, formerly owned by D. L. Wright, for whose appearance at Rockingham County Court I am bound. Notice by E. M. Powell of Reidsville, NC.

1 Mar 1867-At the residence of the bride's father, February 26th, 1867, by the Rev. W. C. Gannon, Mr. J. W. McDowell of Danville, Virginia, married Miss Zilphia A. Garrett of Rockingham County, NC

15 Mar 1867-NC, Rockingham County, In Equity

Walter R. Smith vs. Richard Pratt and James A. Lynch, adm'r of James Lynch

12 Apr 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term

John L. Scales, adm'r of Mary Limberlake, deceased, vs. William T. Lipscomb

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- 12 Apr 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
Thompson Brinsfield vs. Jesse Palmer
W. Peterson & Co. vs. Jesse Palmer
- 12 Apr 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
John A. Lewis vs. Phillip Gates
Allen Thomas vs. Phillip Gates
- 12 Apr 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
John D. Watkins vs. Anderson Edwell
- 12 Apr 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
Alfred Reid, Guardian vs. F. W. Watson
Hugh L. Patrick, Guardian vs. F. W. Watson
Hugh L. Patrick, Adm'r vs. F. W. Watson
David L. Wright vs. F. W. Watson
- 12 Apr 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
Samuel S. Wall, Adm'r of James Carter vs. John W. Foy
- 12 Apr 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
T. L. Rawley, Ex'er of D. J. Rawley, dec'd vs. Lawson Yates
- 19 Apr 1867-Departed this life in the county of Rockingham on the 17th of February last,
Mrs. Mary Bennett, consort of Mr. William M. Bennett, in the 67th year of her age.
- 26 Apr 1867-At his residence in Rockingham County, NC, on the 30th of March 1867,
Johnson Crawford died, aged 66 years, 4 months, and 2 days.
- 21 June 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County.
William D. Bethell vs. John Stacy
- 28 June 1867-At Leaksville, NC, on Tuesday the 11th inst. by the Rev. Mr. Field, Mr.
John M. Brower, of Mount Airy, NC, and Miss Nannie M. Raine of Leaksville, NC, were
married.
- 5 July 1867-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Spring Term
L. R. Fry vs. Sallie Fry
- 9 Aug 1867-NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court of Law, Spring Term, 1867
Emily F. Harris vs. E. S. Harris in a Petition for divorce
- 16 Aug 1867-Valuable Haw River lands for sale by Robt. and Jane Maynard

13 Sept 1867-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, August Term
Edward T. Broadnax vs. John J. Clark

13 Sept 1867-On the evening of the 15th of August, at the residence of Mr. Henry Thomas, by Jules W. Thompson, Esq., Mr. Isaac N. Mills of Grayson County, VA, married Sallie Thomas of Rockingham County, NC

13 Sept 1867-On the 27th of August by Jules W. Thompson, Esq., at the residence of Miss Amanda Hooper. Mr. John R. Billings of Pittsylvania County, VA, and Miss Maggie S. Moore of Rockingham County, NC, were married.

18 Oct 1867-Joseph F. Causey, Dept. Marshal, 5th Dist., NC, will sell for cash in the town of Madison, NC, on Friday, November 22nd, some property.

6 Dec 1867-For the Patriot-From Leaksville: a message about a recent election

13 Dec 1867-Delegates Elected to the Reconstruction Convention-Rockingham County-
Henry Barnes and John H. French

20 Dec 1867-Appointments of the NC Conference-Madison-Joseph C. Thomas
Wentworth-R. G. Barrett

6 Mar 1868-Alfred Reed of near Reidsville has a bombshell in his yard which his grandfather brought home from the Revolutionary War.

20 Mar 1868-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
William Neal, Adm'r of Thomas Neal vs. Sarah P. Neal, Polly Knight and others (list includes Thomas Alley, Pinckney Alley, Joseph W. Alley, Sally Alley, Susan Alley, Judge (?) Alley, Mahaly Alley, children of Susan Alley dec'd.)

20 Mar 1868-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
T. & P. Reynolds vs. M. D. L. Millner
Ann O. Reynolds vs. M. D. L. Millner

20 Mar 1868-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarters, Feb. Term
Elizabeth Searcy vs. Ruth M. & Rueben Searcy & others

20 Mar 1868-NC, Rockingham County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1868- Petition for Dower:

Samuel S. B. Smith vs. A. H. Boyd and wife Margaret, and many others
(list includes Julia Dearing and James Dearing her husband, ___ Maxwell and Mary his wife, ___ Hall and Ann his wife, Thomas Smith and Sarah his wife, Thomas Slater, Martin Scales and Ruth his wife, Thomas Searcy, and ___ Passman and Ann his wife.

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20 Mar 1868-Isaiah Atkins of near Ruffin Depot burned to death.

27 Mar 1868-5th Congressional District Convention-Rockingham delegates-Joseph Holderby, A. J. Boyd, J. Turner Morehead, W. N. Mebane, Dr. Jeff Scales, Capt. Pryor Reynolds, P. T. Young, J. McSmith (?), and W. J. Holderby

8 May 1868-At the residence of the bride's father on April 5th, 1868, by the Rev. Samuel Rothrock, Mr. Wm. N. Wright of Wentworth and Miss Helen, youngest daughter of L. W. Summers, Esq., were married.

8 May 1868-At Reidsville, Rockingham County, NC, on the 30th ultimo, of consumption, Capt. John P. Williams died, in the 43rd year of his age.

22 May 1868-In Rockingham County, on the 14th inst., by Rev. R. G. Barrett, Mr. James M. Irvin and Miss Mary Ratliff, were married.

11 June 1868-Following gentlemen admitted to practice in the several County Courts of the State: Rockingham-W. N. Mebane

11 June 1868-Departed this life on Sunday the 31st of May last, after an illness of some 30 days, Mrs. Malinda A. V. Guerrant, consort of Daniel E. Guerrant, Esq., of Rockingham County, NC. She was born on November 20, 1810.

18 June 1868-A tract of land of 330 acres, with a mill on it, was recently sold in Rockingham County for \$330.00..

2 July 1868-The legislature under Holden: House of Representatives-Rockingham County-Henry Barnes and D. S. Ellington

2 July 1868-Meeting at Ruffin on June 27th, concerning the murder of George Bethel, son of W. D. Bethel of Rockingham County.

23 July 1868-Trustees for the University of NC-Rockingham County-Judge Tho. Settle

30 July 1868-In this place (Greensborough) on Thursday the 23rd, at the residence of W. D. Trotter, James McCollum, of Rockingham County, died at 44 years.

30 July 1868-In this place (Greensborough) on Wednesday the 9th, Mrs. Eliza Morehead, consort of the late Gov. Morehead, died.

6 Aug 1868-On Wednesday, the 29th inst., a large number of Rockingham County Citizens met at Wentworth, the County Seat, for the purpose of ratifying the nominations of Seymour and Blair. It was a Conservative Democratic meeting

6 Aug 1868-Electrical storm at Reidsville hits telegraph office.

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20 Aug 1868-Leaksville forms a Seymour & Blair club.

27 Aug 1868-Political rally at Lowe's Methodist Church

10 Sept 1868-Nominating Convention of 5th Dist., Greensboro, NC, September 8, 1868
List of delegates present.

For Rockingham County: Gen. A. M. Scales,
Col. J. H. Dillard, A. J. Boyd,
R. H. Ward, W. N. Mebane,
J. W. Thompson, G. W. Garrett,
R. P. Richardson, D. L. Wright,
David Purcell, Jno. C. Rankin

10 Sept 1868-A political meeting at Stone's store in Rockingham County was held on
Saturday the 22nd.

Five additional sub-electors were appointed for each county.
Rockingham-Jones W. Burton, Wm. D. Bethell,
Robert H. Ward, A. J. Boyd, Wm. N. Mebane

17 Sept 1868-A barbecue at Ruffin for the Seymour-Blair ticket had Greensborough Brass
Band and over 3,000 people present.

15 Oct 1868-By Rev. J. C. Thomas, on the 18th of June, W. P. Reynolds and Miss Pink
Cardwell, daughter of J. L. Cardwell of Madison, were married.

15 Oct 1868-Grand rally for Seymour and Blair to be held at Madison on October 17th.

22 Oct 1868-State of NC, Rockingham County, Justices Court

Henry Barnes vs. Smith and Jones
Grant A. Wray vs. Smith and Jones

29 Oct 1868-Leaksville barbecue-The grand meeting of the Rockingham Democracy at
Leaksville. 2,000 people attended. Speakers included Dr. Keen of Salisbury.

26 Nov 1868-1500 Acres of the very best Dan River Land for sale in the County of
Rockingham, NC. Article by Jones W. Burton

10 Dec 1868-Rockingham County, NC, produced one-third more tobacco this year than
last.

10 Dec 1868-NC Methodist Episcopal Church South Conference-Greensboro District-
N. F. Reid, Presiding Elder.

Madison-S. D. Peeler
Wentworth-J. W. Lewis

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- 10 Dec 1868-State of NC, Rockingham County, Justices Court
Wm. A. Fretwell, Bullard & Co., and Richard G. Hopper vs. James S. Downs
- 7 Jan 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
Samuel S. B. Smith vs. A. H. Boyd and wife Margaret; John Bird and wife Nancy; James M. Brannock; A. S. Kernodle adm.; Henry Brannock; Jesse Palmer; E. M. Powell adm of C. Hooper; Amanda Hooper widow; Martha, William, Hundley, Thomas and E. T. Hundley heirs of C. Hooper.
- 5 Feb 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Justices Court
H. P. Richardson vs. Nathan Williams
H. P. Richardson vs. Philemon Neal
- 4 Mar 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Justices Court
T. Lyon vs. Philemon Neal
- 1 Apr 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Justices Court
Abraham Walker, adm'r of A. T. Walker, dec'd.
Hugh K Reid, adm'r of Andrew Martin vs. R. P. Terrell.
- 8 Apr 1869-Partnership dissolved: W. P. Harrison, Elizabeth Freeman, Darwin E. Hill.
- 8 Apr 1869-W. P. Harrison & Co.: sale of right, title and interest to P. Lorillard, under the supervision of Charles Seidler.
- 15 Apr 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
Jas. P. Dillard, Adm'r of Thos. Reice vs. Mary Holland and others.
- 15 Apr 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Justices Court
Z. D. Mitchell vs. Moses Settle.
Z. D. Mitchell vs. E. J. Anderson.
- 15 Apr 1869-Bankrupt discharges-Rockingham County. Over 20 names listed.
- 22 Apr 1869-Death of Mrs. N. F. Reid at Thomasville at age 46 on the 15th inst. (Later reburied at Wentworth.)
- 22 Apr 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
Miles D. King, guardian for David S. Moore vs. A. B. Powell.
- 29 Apr 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
John H. Totten, adm'r of Richard W. Totten, dec'd, vs. A. B. Powell
- 29 Apr 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Justices Court
T. Lyon vs. Wm. Lyon

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6 May 1869-List of Rockingham Co. bankruptcies in the 5th Congressional District were discharged with certificates.

13 May 1869-Sale of town lots in Reidsville, NC on Thursday next.

13 May 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
R. A. Ellington adm'r of John W. Ellington, dec'd vs. John W. Ellington, et al.
(Petition to sell land lists: L. L. Nunnally & Mary R. his wife.)

3 June 1869-Obituary for Edmond R. Fowler who died at Madison on June 1 leaving a widow & two children.

10 June 1869-KKK activity erupts in Guilford.

24 June 1869-Coal in Rockingham County.

1 July 1869-Rev. Peter D. Guerrant died at Leaskville a few days ago at age 63.

1 July 1869-The crop of wheat is already harvested in Rockingham County, least since 1845.

15 July 1869-KKK activity in Rockingham County. Ringleader was a Mr. Dandridge.

15 July 1869-Bishop Atkinson is to visit Leaksville and Mountain Chapel on August 29 & 30, 1869.

12 Aug 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
Hugh L. Patrick as ex'r of Mildred Patrick, Catharine Rawley, David M. Osborne and wife Mary P., Victor Holderby and wife Virginia A., Wm. S. Carter and wife Cornelia L., Hugh Guerrant, John Guerrant, Horace Guerrant, Joseph B. Guerrant and Ruth E. Guerrant, last two minors who appear by their Guardian, Dan'l E. Guerrant vs. Major A. Price.

12 Aug 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
Richard F. Coram vs. Rachel Coram.

2 Sept 1869-Judge Settle's Bridge has been opposed by the tax-payers of Rockingham County.

2 Sept 1869-M. C. Edwards and Nannie F. Meador, only daughter of Simon(?) and Mary Meador, were married near Scottsville, Rockingham County by T. K. Cummings on the 26th last.

16 Sept 1869-Judge Brooks discharged the following persons as bankrupt: Rockingham County-Jno. H. Clarke, A. L. Ward, Jones W. Burton, Milton H. Saunders

23 Sept 1869-Obituary for Mrs. Elizabeth V. Ratliff who died on the 7th inst. at age 67 at her home in Rockingham County. For a third of a century she had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church (South).

30 Sept 1869-Sermon in memory of Rev. Peter Doub will be preached at Ruffin on October 10 by Rev. N. F. Reid.

7 Oct 1869-Mrs. Mary Thomas of Rockingham County died on the 2nd ult. at age 68. She was a Methodist.

4 Nov 1869-Foulk's Mill (on Reedy Fork) destroyed by fire. (Later site of Hardie's Mill.)

11 Nov 1869-R. P. Richardson of Rockingham County is Vice-President, Border Agricultural Society.

18 Nov 1869-The Settle Bridge injunction case from Rockingham was argued before Judge Tourgee in the place on Monday first, but the Judge withheld his opinion until tomorrow.

2 Dec 1869-Rockingham County, Probate Court
F. W. Watson, adm'r of John A. Watson.

23 Dec 1869-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
Wm. King, adm'r of Rob't Sims vs. Lucy Sims, Jno. G. Gilbert and wife Mary E., Jas. S. Sims, Sarah J. Sims, Martha J. Sims, Wm. T. Sims, and Sam'l A. Sims.... Last four being infants.

23 Dec 1869-Married by the Rev. J. H. Anderson, Daniel E. Guerrant, Esq., to Miss Sallie, daughter of Mr. Reason Waters.

23 Dec 1869-Mrs. Sallie Moore, widow of Francis B. Moore, died in her 70th year in Rockingham County on December 9.

23 Dec 1869-Mrs Lucy Guerrant Watkins, wife of Abner, died at her home in Rockingham County on November 24th at age 87 after a protracted illness.

6 Jan 1870-Land sale: several tracts and parcels owned or claimed by Dr. E. M. Powell. Also, large tobacco factory and stills and apparatus.....to satisfy a claim for taxes.

6 Jan 1870-Ad for Reidsville Classical and Mathematical School, F. B. Hobgood, principal

20 Jan 1870-Fire at C. G. Mitchell's store at Ruffin on January 13th.

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20 Jan 1870-Political meeting by citizens of Huntsville Township on 8 Jan 1870.

3 Feb 1870-Died in Ayersville, NC, on 21st of January, Milton V. Martin, son of Wesley Martin, in the 32nd year of his age.

17 Feb 1870-Ad: Wentworth Male Academy, James W. Reid, principal.
Spring term tuition: \$10 to \$25. Board, \$10 per month.

24 Mar 1870-Died in Alabama on 31 January, Sterling Lanier, aged 77 years, raised in Rockingham County.

7 Apr 1870-Died in Rockingham County on the 2nd inst. Mrs Louisa Ann Patterson, wife of Col. T. T. Patterson, at 65 years of age.

21 Apr 1870-Married April 14, 1870, by Rev. D. T. Deches, Mr. M. P. Cummings and Miss Elizabeth Crawford.

28 Apr 1870-J. M. Waddill announces candidacy to represent Rockingham County in the NC House of Commons. Conservative.

5 May 1870-Death on the 27th last of Capt. Robert H. Wariner, age 47.

12 May 1870-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
Joseph H. Cardwell, adm'r for Thomas F. M. Coyle vs. William Mebane and wife Ellen, William P. Coyle, John Coyle, Cornelius Coyle, Laura Coyle, Joel Coyle, Corinna Coyle, Martha Coyle and Nancy Coyle, the last four (being) infants.

26 May 1870-Maj. Morehead has three bateaux running from Danville to Hairston's Falls on Dan River. His boats have gone up Smith River as well.

2 June 1870-Conservative meeting in Rockingham County

30 June 1870-Letter recalls travelling on the Richmond and Danville Railroad.

21 July 1870-News on Sheriff T. W. Patterson of Rockingham County.

4 Aug 1870-Wm. Neal nominated for legislature by Rockingham County radicals. He and others later withdrew from party.

4 Aug 1870-Book issued about life & death of Jno. W. "Chicken" Stephens by A. J. Stedman.

1 Sept 1870-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

Thomas C. Meador, adm'r of Thomas Smith vs. Pinckney G. Smith, Joseph G. Watlington and wife Mary E. Watlington.

15 Sept 1870-We learn that Judge Settle is still at work on his new bridge over Dan River. This bridge will cost the county \$15,000 and it was authorized by the Radical Legislature in opposition to the wishes of the tax payers of the county. (Settle's Covered Bridge.)

15 Sept 1870-Tobacco factory of Thomas Payne in Rockingham County was seized by U. S. Marshals for alleged violation of the revenue laws.

6 Oct 1870-James Harris of Reidsville raised this year 250 bushels of Irish potatoes.

6 Oct 1870-Judge Kerr gave two hour speech in Wentworth last week on the Radicals. Judge Tourgee spoke from the portico of the hotel there.

13 Oct 1870-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

William Neal, adm'r of Sallie P. Neal vs. Thomas Neal, Polly Knight, Squire Pearce and wife Lucy, P. Lemons and wife Emily, E. D. Bailey and wife Martha, Louisa Troxler, Sallie Alley, Judy Alley, Mahala Alley, Susan Alley, Thomas Alley, Pinckney Alley, Joseph Alley, Joseph Plummer and wife Elizabeth.

10 Nov 1870-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

Jones W. Burton, adm'r of William Roach vs. James Roach, Lorenzo D. Saunders and wife Ailcy, Alfred Saunders and wife Ruth, Thos. A. Ratliff, Thomas I. Jarrell, John S. Blackwell and wife Jane, William Burch and wife Martha, Ellen Jarrell, Rhoda Jarrell, William D. Bethell.

10 Nov 1870-Wanted: A good tanner immediately. Jas. I. Reynolds & Co., Madison, NC

17 Nov 1870-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

William A. Walker, John Pearson and wife Susan, Alfred Walker, James M. Walker, Samuel Y. Walker, Thomas Gray and wife Isabella, Robert T. Walker, Hardie F. Walker, George T. Walker, Mary A. Walker vs. Catherine Walker and James Walker.

17 Nov 1870-Rockingham County Justices Court-George D. Boyd vs. David B. Lynch

17 Nov 1870-State of NC, Rockingham Court, Superior Court

John Sharp, adm'r of Jas. A. Sharp vs. Calvin Sharp, Nath'l. Thomas and wife Charlotte, Samuel W. Richardson and wife Nancy, Samuel Lewellin and wife Sarah, James M. Sharp, Joseph T. Sharp, Alexander Sharp, Sarah E. Sharp, Turney (Turner) Peay and wife Susan, James H. Sharp, Mary Ann Sharp, Margaret Sharp, Martha L. Sharp.

12 Jan 1871-The Dan River Land Agency has sold 1100 acres of land in Rockingham County to Mr. Alexander Smith of Scotland.

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12 Jan 1871-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

Martin P. Hopkins, adm'r of John Diamond vs. Winston Diamond, Peggy Diamond, Nancy Diamond, William Gant and wife Zilpha, M. P. Hopkins and wife Mary J., Rhoda Clymer, William Diamond, Margaret Pingleton, Sarah Pingleton, Dora Pingleton, Joseph Pingleton, Nancy Diamond, William Diamond, Yancy Diamond.

2 Feb 1871-In Bankruptcy: Walker Smith of Stoneville. Assig. to, J. H. Hall.

2 Feb 1871-State of NC, Rockingham County, Summons

Jesse L. Payne (Note: changed to Jesse L. Bryan in later editions) vs. Edward B. Bulkley, George W. Murfey, Frank F. Cecil, John K. Cecil, Merchants and partners.

23 Feb 1871-G. W. Booker's home at Madison was destroyed by a fire last Tuesday week. It is thought to be the work of an incendiary.

23 Feb 1871-Turner Peay home burglary of clothing.

2 Mar 1871-Political meeting at Wentworth regarding Governor Holden

13 Apr 1871-Sketches of Reidsville & Leaksville. Leaksville has a baseball club.

20 Apr 1871-The residence of Mr. Roseboro near Madison was totally destroyed by fire last week.

11 May 1871-Convention in Rockingham County to nominate the candidates to represent the county of Constitutional Convention is to be held on June 1, 1871. A. J. Boyd, W. N. Mebane, A. M. Scales

1 June 1871-William Joseph Holderby died at age 24 of consumption in Reidsville on the 28th last.

1 June 1871-John A. Ratliff of Rockingham County raised 7,000 pounds of tobacco which sold for \$2,450, averaging \$35 per hundred.

8 June 1871-Conservatives in Rockingham County nominate A. M. Scales & G. D. Boyd as candidates to the upcoming convention.

15 June 1871-Bankruptcy Notice against the estate of James Morgan of Stoneville.

29 June 1871-Wentworth Presbyterian Sunday School picnic near the "new bridge" on Dan River.

13 July 1871-John Guerrant of Leaksville-self propelled boat-propelled upstream by the action of the current.

PHOTO PAGE

Home of Gov. Davis S. Reid
David Settle Reid, Jr.



The Dan River home of Governor David S. Reid built in the early 1850s. Governor Reid moved to Wentworth in 1872 and the house was destroyed some eighty years later.



David Settle Reid, Jr. (1852-1871), son of Governor David S. Reid.

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27 July 1871-Stephen A. Douglas Jr. & T. W. Patterson are political allies among the Republicans.

27 July 1871-Died near Rome, GA, on the 5th inst., William Ratliffe, in the 85th year of his age. He was formerly of Rockingham County.

3 Aug 1871-Death of Dr. J. W. McCain in Rockingham County of stroke while returning from political meeting.

3 Aug 1871-Auction sale on 5 September of 415 acres of land of A. Banks Powell. Five miles south of Reidsville.

17 Aug 1871-Died on the 7th inst. David Settle Reid, eldest son of Gov. D. S. Reid, at home of father in Rockingham County, aged 19 years.

31 Aug 1871-Rev. N. F. Reid dedicates the new Methodist Church at Pelham on Sunday. Dr. Craven preaches in the afternoon.

7 Sept 1871-Lengthy Victorian obituary for Dr. J. W. McCain.

7 Sept 1871-Eli Barham of near New Bethel was arrested by Deputy Penn for illegal distilling. He is to appear before circuit court at Raleigh in November.

7 Sept 1871-Bankruptcy notice against the estate of Chas. C. Smith of Rockingham Co.

12 Oct 1871-Sale of Real Estate of James Morgan near Stoneville by F. J. Stone, assignee.

19 Oct 1871-Married at Benaja, Rockingham County, on the 10th inst. by Rev. C. F. Harris, W. P. Hopkins and Mary L. Wharton.

26 Oct 1871-Married at Eagle Falls, Rockingham County, were Wm. N. Mebane and Letitia W. Carter of Eagle Falls. They were married by Rev. J. Henry Smith.

9 Nov 1871-Died at home near Madison, on November 1, Wm. Judson Robertson, son of Thomas J. and Frances Robertson, aged 21 years and 2 months.

23 Nov 1871-Reidsville improving visually. A new Baptist Church is completed, large tobacco factory about completed, depot enlarged.

7 Dec 1871-Warehouse in Reidsville, Oaks & Allen, opens on January 1, 1872.

14 Dec 1871-Sojourner from Danville stops in Reidsville & Greensboro - mentions new iron tracks for Railroad, eat at Reidsville Hotel of J. W. Smith & Company.

21 Dec 1871-Ball to be held at Dr. Smith's Hotel on the 28th in Reidsville.

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- 4 Jan 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
W. D. Smith and A. J. Brown vs. Abner F. Harvey, John H. Williams, John D. Harvey.
- 4 Jan 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court
A. J. Boyd adm'r of Elizabeth Tucker vs. Heirs-at-Law of Elizabeth Tucker, formerly Elizabeth Pruitt.
- 18 Jan 1872-Card for Oaks & Allen Warehouse.
- 18 Jan 1872-US Minister Thomas Settle describes Peru.
- 25 Jan 1872-Ad for Smith's New Hotel, Reidsville, NC. Board \$1.50 per day. Livery stables. J. W. Smith & Co., Proprietors.
- 25 Jan 1872-Sales at Oaks & Allen Warehouse.
- 7 Mar 1872-John Miner died at the residence of Rev. D. T. Deans in Rockingham County on February 6, 1872. He was 60 years of age.
- 14 Mar 1872-Reynolds, Wall & Co. Warehouse will open in Madison on the 24th.
- 14 Mar 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons
R. L. Apple adm'r of Samuel Apple vs. Rufus J. French and wife Mary A., Joseph H. Allen and wife Eliza, Pinckney Ramsey and wife Martha, J. F. Anders and wife Arabella, Jane Apple a minor, and E. Z. Scott a minor.
- 21 Mar 1872-Died at Leaksville, on Tuesday, 19th inst., in 26th year of her age, Ruth, wife of F. P. Cavanah.
- 28 Mar 1872-Rockingham County's Conservative Convention's long list of delegates is sent to Greensboro Convention.
- 28 Mar 1872-Gov. Reid has removed from his beautiful home on the Dan and now resides in Wentworth where he is engaged in the practice of law.
- 28 Mar 1872-A caucus of the "loyal" party leaders in Wentworth last week resulted in the arrest of several men for Ku Klux offences said to have been committed three years ago.
- 28 Mar 1872-Administrator's Notice for estate of James M. Donnell by Hugh K. Reid.
- 28 Mar 1872-The home of Dr. Walter Smith at Madison was burned last Friday night.

4 Apr 1872-Married at Leaksville on 28th March by Rev. Daniel Fields, Mr. David W. Younts and Miss Josephine Kemp.

11 Apr 1872-Letter about Reidsville.

11 Apr 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons

A. J. Boyd adm'r of F. W. Miller vs. Wm. F. Miller, Martha A. Miller, Sarah E. Miller, Christiana R. Miller and Mary Myers.

18 Apr 1872- Letter from A. M. Scales about his political disabilities.

25 Apr 1872-Mr. Rawley Gallaway died at his home near Madison last week.

2 May 1872-Farmers Warehouse opens at Reidsville.

Oaks & Allen Warehouse doing excellent business in Reidsville.

16 May 1872-List of Rockingham delegates to Congressional Convention (Conservative).

16 May 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons

A. J. Hudson adm'r of Joel Hudson vs. W. G. Hudson, Mary Hudson, James E. Hudson, David Hudson, Elizabeth Hudson.

16 May 1872-Newspaper in Reidsville started by Albright & Houston called The Record.

16 May 1872-Warehouse constructed at Leaksville.

23 May 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons

W. M. Edwards adm'r of W. H. Bartee vs. Jeffrey T. Bartee and R. D. Bartee.

6 June 1872-Hugh K. Reid of Reidsville passed through Greensboro on his way to Salt Lake City to whence he has been called by the death of J. A. Graves (formerly of Caswell) who moved there in '68.

6 June 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons

W. M. Edwards adm'r of G. B. Zimmerman vs. Mary Zimmerman, B. B. Nalle and wife Mary, Zerelda Zimmerman, Eliza J. Zimmerman, W. G. Zimmerman, Edward Cugle and wife Kate, Ida Zimmerman, Reuben Zimmerman, Wm. Conard and wife Adelaide, Wm. Zimmerman, B. W. Zimmerman, ___ Allen and wife Dora, James Allison; and Alia, Lizzie, Annie, Helen and John Zimmerman, infants.

6 Jun 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons

Wm. G. Busic vs. Jos. S. Waters, Jno. J. Waters, Minerva J. Waters, Martha Saunders, Sarah E. Guerrant, Emma Stubblefield, and Heirs of Richard O. Waters.

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Dr. Walter R. Smith
Piedmont Warehouse (Oaks and Allen)



*Dr. Walter R. Smith (1828-1887),
longtime physician in Madison.*

Courtesy of
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*Mortimer Oaks and James Allen constructed the Piedmont Warehouse on Reidsville's
West Market Street in 1872. The building stood until the early 1920s.*

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13 June 1872-Speech by Judge Settle at GOP National Convention.

13 June 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons

Hugh L. Patrick adm'r of Robert Walker vs. John A. Mebane and wife Frances, Emily Griffith, Alexander A. Walker.

4 July 1872-Leach and Settle debate at Wentworth for congressional seat..

11 July 1872-Humorous tale about a Rockingham Church & the Leach & Settle campaign.

24 July 1872-Thomas Settle's record while in the antebellum legislature.

30 July 1872-Judge Settle accused of threatening persons to turn over state's evidence.

30 July 1872-Thomas Settle speaks at Stoneville.

21 Aug 1872-Wheeler Hancock & Johnson Bennett-Deputy Sheriffs of Rockingham County.

21 Aug 1872-Eight tobacco factories are being built at Madison-Madison Enterprise will soon begin publication.

11 Sept 1872-Gen. A. M. Scales proposes to move from Wentworth to Greensboro.

25 Sept 1872- Maj. Oaks builds new warehouse in Reidsville.

9 Oct 1872-Obituary for Capt. Wm. J. Gilliam who died on the 1st in Rockingham County.

9 Oct 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons

Ezekiel Hancock adm'r of Sarah Womack dec'd vs. Charlotte A. Watson, John T. Watson, Elizabeth Hickman (widow), Frances Baugh and Arthur Baugh, Thomas D. Neal, Eliza B. Williams, Charles Chaplin, Nelson Head, devisees and legatees of Sarah Womack, deceased; and Alex. Boyd and wife Mary, Elisha Barksdale, James P. Voss, Anna Voss, Apphia Voss, Phillip E. Voss, Elizabeth Shepherd, Stephen T. Voss, Joseph Marshal and wife Mary, Sarah L. Marshall, Minerva Marshall, Victor Holderby, and Mary Hays.

16 Oct 1872-Mysterious death of woman, aged 85, named Smithey, near Lenox Castle.

30 Oct 1872-Judge Settle's family have arrived and taken up their residence on Asheboro Street.

13 Nov 1872-State of NC, Rockingham County, Court Summons

R. A. Holderby and V. M. Holderby vs. A. R. Holderby, Frances Holderby, J. B. Holderby, J. H. Holderby, Alvira E. Holderby, Francis L. Holderby, _____ Holderby; Heirs of W. M. Holderby; James D. Holderby, John Tally and wife Louisa, John Young and wife Martha, W. J. M. Thomas and wife Fanny, Americus Patterson; Heirs of Sarah Stubblefield; Caroline Furgeson.

20 Nov 1872-Federal Government to seize the former Piedmont Railroad.

4 Dec 1872-State of NC, Rockingham, Court Summons

Charles A. Reynolds and Pryor Reynolds, Executors of Thomas Reynolds vs. Burrell Flanagan.

25 Dec 1872-Married in Wentworth on Dec 19th by Rev. John W. Lewis, James W. Reid of Mt. Airy, NC, to Mary F. Ellington, only daughter of Wm. M. Ellington.

8 Jan 1873-On December 20, 1872, Geo. M. Booker was charged with the murder of Hampton Jeffreys at Madison 2 months previous.

15 Jan 1873-Decatur Barnes, Esq., has been elected President of the Reidsville Board of trade for the present year.

15 Jan 1873-Drury Smith, Esq., drowned in the Dan River at Buck Island Ford near Danbury, Stokes County.

15 Jan 1873-The new warehouse erected by Major Oaks at Reidsville is one of the finest in Virginia or North Carolina.

15 Jan 1873-Ad for J. M. Harris and Bro. Wholesale, retail dealers in dry goods, etc.

22 Jan 1873-A ball at Reidsville.

22 Jan 1873-Col. David Settle resumed his seat in the House of Representatives after an absence due to illness.

19 Feb 1873-Madison, Rockingham County, wants a city charter.

26 Feb 1873-Married in Rockingham County on Feb. 16 at C. W. Mobleys by Rev. W. C. Norman, was Robert W. Lucas and Sallie C. Donnell.

5 Mar 1873-Sam Franklin pardoned by Gov. Caldwell-jailed at Wentworth for threatening to burn J. M. Miner's Mill.

12 Mar 1873-Geo. W. Hamlett, J. M. Harris, and a livery stable in Reidsville.

19 Mar 1873-Ad for Piedmont Warehouse for sale of tobacco in Reidsville. Will open 18 January.

26 Mar 1873-Rockingham County murder case. Booker murdered Negro in Madison.

9 Apr 1873-Short writeup on Reidsville's growth – two new grocery stores, two hotels, three churches, a good school, and several tobacco factories and warehouses.

16 Apr 1873-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

Martin Grogan adm'r of Robert Grogan vs. J. M. Grogan, P. F. Hopper and wife Mary A., Lafayette Smith and wife Martha C.

7 May 1873-Indian Mounds on Dan River.

14 May 1873- Good Templars to organize in Madison.

14 May 1873-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

John H. Simpson, John Brooks and wife Salina, Thomas J. Meador and wife Mary, R. S. Smith, Mac Cobbs and wife Fannie, S. W. M. Smith, ___ Boren and wife Mary L., Matilda Johnson, Susan Johnson, Mary T. Neal, R. X. Jones, ___ McCalpin and wife Jane W., John W. Garrett and wife Martha, Nancy Jones, Elizabeth Jones, R. H. Jones, Alexis Howard and wife Mary, Peter Rich and wife Eliza, ___ Simpson and wife Kiturah, ___ Pinnix and wife Almeda, James Bouldin and wife Hannah, Nancy Neal, J. R. Dilworth and wife Pocahontas, Philemon Neal, Harriet Neal infant, Fannie J. Neal infant, Mollie Neal infant; Harriet Garrett, and Elizabeth Simpson widow of the intestate, Geo. Simpson vs. J. F. Smith and W. R. Simpson.

14 May 1873-Ruffin tobacco association formed.

28 May 1873-Ex-Sheriff Patterson of Rockingham County has been appointed U. S. Commissioner.

28 May 1873-An independent Temperance and Literary Society was organized in Reidsville last Thursday night.

25 June 1873- Jas. W. Reid, late of Mt. Airy, will practice law in Wentworth.

2 July 1873-Married in Round Rock, Texas, Sallie S. Fountain to Henry Sampson of Austin, Texas, on 23 June.

2 July 1873-Ad for Ruffin Select School, James F. Terry, Principal.

30 July 1873-Letter concerning the growth and productivity of Reidsville – 8 tobacco factories and three tobacco warehouses, etc.

30 July 1873-Deaths of Gen. F. L. Simpson and George Walker.

30 July 1873-Died, Pleasant Webster of Stokes County.

30 July 1873-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

T. C. Meadors, Executor of John Simpson, dec'd vs. William R. Simpson.

6 Aug 1873-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

Geo. W. Stubblefield adm'r of David Stubblefield vs. Peter B. Stubblefield, Thomas Stubblefield, W. W. Stubblefield, N. H. Gregory and wife Susan H., Martha B. Hunley, Oliver Combs and wife Elizæ; George W. and Sarah Combs, infants of Arian Combs, deceased.

13 Aug 1873-Married by Rev. Frank L. Reid near Leaksville on July 29th were the Rev. Field and Martha A. Lane.

27 Aug 1873-Col. Dave Settle injured in fall from horse.

3 Sept 1873- Talk of narrow gauge road from Reidsville to Madison.

10 Sept 1873-Steam boat will soon be put on Dan River to tow flats as far as Madison.

17 Sept 1873-Railroad meeting at Wentworth.

17 Sept 1873- Reidsville's growth - wants courthouse.

29 Oct 1873-Died in Rockingham County at the residence of her son-in-law, Dr. Robert H. Scales, was Mrs. Mary Bethell, widow of the late Wm. Bethell of Caswell County. She died on February 27, 1873 at the advanced age of 95.

5 Nov 1873-Obituary of Alfred Reid who died at his home in Rockingham County on October 18, 1873. He was a Baptist and once a member of the Legislature from Rockingham County.

17 Dec 1873-About 1,000 boxes of manufactured tobacco will be shipped from Reidsville next week.

24 Dec 1873-Mortimer Oaks just moved into new house at Reidsville.

24 Dec 1873-The Reidsville Record has completed its first year with Brother (J. R.) Webster as editor.

14 Jan 1874-Wentworth Items-Mr. J. J. McCargo opens a Male & Female Academy on the 14th.

14 Jan 1874-Capt. W. M. Ellington has purchased the Hall House in Wentworth, the former landlord devoting his time henceforth to dealing in the "weed" (tobacco).

21 Jan 1874-Mr. W. M. Edwards & family has moved from Wentworth to Guilford County.

21 Jan 1874-Grist and sawmills of J. W. Moore of Rockingham County were destroyed by fire last Monday. Loss \$6,000, no insurance.

28 Jan 1874- Ad. of J. M. Harris of Reidsville.

25 Feb 1874-Married at the home of Maj. W. D. Bethell on February 12 by Rev. W. C. Norman were Mr. Geo. W. Church of Danville to Miss Josephine McCain of Rockingham County.

18 Mar 1874-Morehead family & Revolutionary War relic, a canteen carried by Jno. Morehead in war.

15 April 1874-Col. John M. Scales of Rockingham County has his shoulder fractured.

20 May 1874-Ads for Piedmont Warehouse (Oaks & Allen), Farmers Warehouse (Parish, Paschal & Co.), and J. M. Harris & Bros. (wholesale and retail dealers).

27 May 1874-Democratic Convention in Rockingham.

17 June 1874-State of NC, Rockingham County, Superior Court

James Lemons vs. M. S. Carter and wife Lucy, James P. Lemons, Joanna Lemons, Arenatta Lemons, Richard Sims, James Carter and wife Matilda, Ann Ellington, Mariah Sims, Robert Sims, Washington Sims, Mary Sims, Jane Sims, and William Sims.

1 July 1874-Married at Madison, NC, on the 25th of June, by Rev. W. C. Norman, Mr. H. W. Barrow of Salem, NC, and Mrs. Nannie Cardwell of Madison.

1 July 1874-Reidsville Tobacco Market – Sales Report.

1 July 1874-Obituary for Dr. E. T. Broadnax who was born in 1796 in Brunswick County, VA. Has a lengthy obituary but no date of death.

15 July 1874-Ad. for book of Rev. Numa F. Reid's sermons, by his sons James W. and Frank L. Reid..

12 Aug 1874-Rockingham County elected entire Conservative Ticket.

26 Aug 1874-Col. David Settle, Judge of Rockingham County, visited here.

16 Sept 1874-David S. Reid and David Settle associated in the practice of law at Wentworth have dissolved their partnership.

14 Oct 1874-Sale of town lots and a tobacco factory in Reidsville by M. Oaks.

21 Oct 1874-Strayed or stolen from my pasture, one iron gray mare colt. Albert Braim, Wentworth.

28 Oct 1874-Sale of 175 acres in Rockingham County on the Virginia State line on the Dan River, belonging to the estate of the late Col. Nathaniel Wilson.

4 Nov 1874-The Reidsville Record and Madison Enterprise are to be consolidated and will be published in Reidsville.

4 Nov 1874-Suicide-Mrs. Coleman of near Wentworth, widow of a Confederate soldier, on the 22nd (of October).

11 Nov 1874-Report of the death of Mr. P. Stone of Stoneville "the first of last week" of consumption.

11 Nov 1874-Meeting of Rockingham County Council, Patrons of Husbandry, to be held at Wentworth on Saturday, November 14.

11 Nov 1874-Stolen from Mr. Sam. Butler, over five hundred dollars. The Negro boy was arrested in Madison and is in jail.

11 Nov 1874-Mr. J. M. Harris appointed magistrate in place of M. Oaks, resigned.

11 Nov 1874-Patent granted Dr. B. J. Field of Leaksville for an improved method of attaching artificial teeth.

2 Dec 1874-State election results : Rockingham County vote:
Governor – Merrimon (D) 1653, Caldwell (R) 1301
Supt. of Public Instruction – Peel (D) 1564, Purnell (R) 918

2 Dec 1874-Jas. Dalton of Reidsville was appointed to a committee to prepare By-Laws of the NC Tobacco Association.

9 Dec 1874-NC Methodist Episcopal Conference appointments:
Madison – L. E. Stacy Wentworth – W. C. Norman

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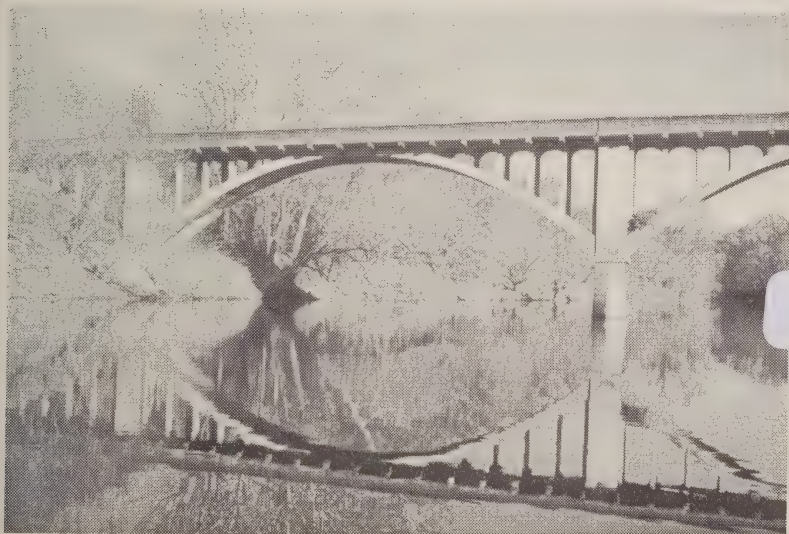
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"Mebane's Bridge," built in 1924, was named for its chief promoter B. Frank Mebane. The bridge's official name was The Fishing Creek Bridge. The structure was not opened to traffic until 1935 and was closed in November 2003.

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Col. B. Frank Mebane (1867 - 1926) in the yard of his home "as You Like It." The Colonel is shown with one of his championship bird dogs. Note the brick smokehouse in the background. The building still stands on the grounds of the Morehead-Mebane house in the Spray section of Eden.

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The Bridge To Nowhere: The Great Mebane's Bridge Controversy

**by
Bob Carter**

The construction of the Fishing Creek Bridge (official name) over The Dan River near Eden in 1924, contrary to the wishes of the majority of Rockingham County citizens, led to one of the greatest political controversies in Rockingham County history. The erection of the bridge, which soon became known as "Mebane's Bridge" or "Mebane's Folly" for its chief promoter B. Frank Mebane, resulted in the resignation of two county commissioners, triggered several large protest meetings in Wentworth and led to lawsuits which remained in court for many years. The story of how "The Bridge to Nowhere" came into being is a most interesting saga.

Background

To understand the controversy one needs to review some earlier history of the county. Beginning in 1915 Rockingham County embarked on a "Good Roads Program" but the effort moved slowly and it was in the early 1920s before progress was made in improving the county's roads.¹ In 1922 the newly elected Board of County Commissioners voted to spend a large sum of money to build a concrete road from Reidsville to the county seat Village of Wentworth and from there to Leaksville. Also as part of the "Good Roads" project the county was busily engaged in regrading and top soiling the rural roads of the county. In 1923-1924 the county entered a progressive program of school consolidation by closing a number of rural frame schools and replacing them with large modern brick school buildings at Wentworth and Bethany.² With all these on-going construction projects the county debt rose more than a million dollars to \$3,600,000 within one year's time. The county tax rate went from \$.95 per hundred to \$1.35 valuation in 1922-23 and to \$1.59 in 1924-25. Still, these additional tax revenues did not raise sufficient funds to pay for the construction projects and the county had to borrow large sums of money at high interest rates to pay the county's bills.³ It soon became evident that Col. B. Frank Mebane, textile mill owner and large landowner of the Spray (now Eden) area, was behind this movement for "progress."

The Mebanes

B. Frank Mebane, Jr. was a native of Alamance County, North Carolina, where his father B. Frank Mebane, Sr. was a prominent physician. His mother Fannie Kerr descended from the prominent Graves and Yancey families of Caswell County, North Carolina.⁴ Mebane was born on 4 February 1867 and as a youth he attended the famous Bingham Military School which was located near his Alamance County home. At the age of 17 he left school and soon acquired an impressive record as a salesman, first in Danville and then in New York City. Sometime during the period he met Lily C. Morehead, daughter of J. Turner Morehead, the owner of the Leaksville Cotton Mill in Spray, North Carolina. The cotton mill had been established in 1839 by Lily's grandfather, Governor John Motley Morehead, and the business was continued after the Civil War by Lily's father, J. Turner Morehead.⁵ Lily's mother Mary L. Connally Morehead recognized B. Frank Mebane as "an up and coming young man" and soon a match was made.⁶ The young couple were married in the Leaksville Baptist Church on 8 June 1893.⁷ They settled in New York City but later returned to Spray where Mebane learned the textile business from his father-in-law J. Turner Morehead. Around 1894 Mebane and his brother, George A. Mebane, became involved in building a large textile mill in Cooleemee, North Carolina, which they sold about the time the project was completed.⁸

Frank and Lily lived for a time in Greensboro where he worked for the Cone family in their textile business.⁹ Later the Mebanes returned to Spray where they resided the remainder of their lives. They had purchased the Morehead homeplace in Spray in 1894 long before Lily's father J. Turner Morehead filed bankruptcy in 1899.¹⁰ Mebane had succeeded his father-in-law as president of the Spray Water Power and Land Company which was a holding company for the Morehead textile and land interest. After the Morehead bankruptcy Mebane was in control of the former Morehead properties and now with vision he began to build his textile empire completing five mills by 1906.¹¹ These mills gave employment to hundreds of local workers and many people moved from the nearby counties of Virginia and North Carolina to Spray.

By 1907 Mebane was in a position to propose the building of a textile school in Spray to train young men for a career in the industry. He even attempted to hire noted North Carolina educator Charles McIver to oversee the school but McIver turned down Mebane's offer. In 1907 a banking panic ended any chance of the school being built.¹² With the passage of time Mebane's finances became over-extended partially due to his building the The North Carolina & Virginia Railroad and in 1911 and 1912 his principal creditor Marshal Field Company of Chicago took over control



The Morehead-Mebane house in Spray was built in varying stages in the mid to late nineteenth century. The Mebanes named their home "As You Like It". The house was demolished in the 1970s after it was gutted by fire in 1969.

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Lily C. Morehead Mebane (1869 - 1943), wife of B. Frank Mebane, circa 1905.

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of the textile mills, with the exception of the original Leaksville Cotton Mill and the Morehead Cotton Mill.¹³ Being a “wheeler-dealer” Mebane was also able to retain ownership of 8,000 acres of farm land in “the Meadows” located between the Smith River and the mill Village of Draper.¹⁴ It was perhaps through the holding companies Spray Water Power and Land Company or the Rockingham Company that Mebane was able to hold onto these large tracts of land. He developed a large and profitable livestock business on his property and maintained a hunting lodge for his northern friends on part of the farm. He developed a showplace farm and introduced purebred Hereford cattle to Piedmont North Carolina and for years was a principal livestock exhibitor at the fairs of the region.¹⁵ In 1905 he was the Chief Marshal at the North Carolina State Fair in Raleigh.¹⁶

Through the years B. Frank Mebane made many business and political connections over the country. As a Republican he made friends with people in high places. Once President-elect Taft’s wife paid a visit to the Mebane home in Spray.¹⁷ With his important friends he was in a position to pass out political favors and over time was able to build a power base with important people and his workers.¹⁸ Later he would call in these favors and in usually Democratic controlled Rockingham County he was elected to the county Board of Education and served from 1919 to 1925.¹⁹

However Mebane did not control the Board of Rockingham County Commissioners and in the election of 1922 he quietly helped three Democrats be elected to the county board who were willing to support his future plans. His critics later charged that he royally entertained the three at his home in Spray to obtain their assistance in carrying out his master plan for progress in Rockingham County.²⁰ The three newly elected commissioners were: W. F. Pruitt, a farmer from the Mayfield area; J. F. McCollum, a farmer from the Bethany area; and Madison merchant Thomas R. Pratt.

Mebane’s Master Plan

At some unknown time B. Frank Mebane had developed a visionary plan to bring a giant chemical plant to the Spray area and locate it on his property. He believed that the new industry would bring growth and increased employment and that the area would prosper and he would be seen as a great benefactor. The name of the industry was never released to the public and is still unknown to this day. The site Mebane chose for the future plant was in “the Meadows” near the confluence of the Smith and Dan Rivers.²¹ The only problem was that there was no road and bridge across Dan River to make the site easily accessible to the Reidsville area. But this was only a small problem; the county could build a new bridge across the Dan River just

below its confluence with Fishing Creek. And with his three new supportive commissioners elected in 1922, now was the time to move forward with his master plan.

It was of little consequence that at the same time the Atlantic Bridge Company of Roanoke, Virginia had a new bridge under construction a mile and one-half upstream from Mebane's proposed bridge site. This new bridge was located on the new concrete road then being built to link Reidsville, Wentworth and Leaksville.²² Also between the new bridge (which entered Leaksville by way of Hamilton Street) and Mebane's proposed bridge site there was another bridge, the Leaksville Covered Bridge, which was still in use at the time.²³ So if Mebane's bridge was built there would be three bridges crossing the Dan within one and one half mile of each other.

Mebane's Bridge

In the Spring and Summer of 1923 Mebane began to move forward with his plans for the bridge to be built with the help of his three Democratic friends. The other two Democratic county commissioners R. B. Chance and J. R. Martin opposed Mebane's plans. On 19 March 1923 the county commissioners passed a resolution to appropriate one half million dollars for the construction of a paved road from Settle's Bridge to Madison and \$50,000 for Mebane's bridge at Fishing Creek. As expected, the motion passed with Pruitt, McCollum and Pratt voting in favor while Chance and Martin voted against the proposal.²⁴ It seems clear that the paved road from Settle's Bridge to Madison was only a ploy to gain support for the Mebane's Bridge project from the people living in western Rockingham County.

While many of the county citizens approved the idea of paved roads and modern schools, the Mebane group completely misread the public's support of a new road and the bridge. With several expensive projects already underway, the Mebane political machine should have realized that the county budget could not support all these building projects at the same time.

Opposition to the Bridge

The Reidsville Review took the lead in opposing Mebane's bridge plan. On 26 March 1923 the Review carried the following headline: "County Fathers Start Something! Taxpayers Sit Up And Take Notice - Said To Be Only A Start of Some Great Program of County Expenditures."²⁵ Some citizens quickly realized that the political machine was pulling the strings of local government. The idea that three Democratic commissioners who voted for the bridge expenditure had been

elected in November 1922 on a platform of reduced taxes and now they had gone back on their campaign promises -- this was unforgivable.²⁶ And that they had voted to build a bridge on the property of a local Republican millionaire where no road crossed the river and nearly in sight of two other existing bridges!

Before long the opposition to the bridge came together and held a protest meeting at the county courthouse in Wentworth.²⁷ The county commissioners quickly realized that they had a political hot potato on their hands and in May 1923 they dropped plans to hard-surface the road from Settle's Bridge to Madison thus saving one-half million dollars. They also passed a resolution to discontinue any future plans to pave other roads due to the high cost. It is interesting to note that this resolution made no reference to building the Fishing Creek Bridge.²⁸

The coalition of citizens who opposed the building of Mebane's bridge hired an attorney and obtained a temporary injunction to prevent the construction of the structure. However, this was only a temporary victory for in June 1923 Judge Thomas J. Shaw of Winston-Salem dissolved the injunction.²⁹ This action resulted in another large protest meeting in Wentworth and the formation of a "Citizen's Committee." The committee asked for the resignation of the three commissioners who had supported the bridge plan.³⁰ Nothing was heard from the commissioners who were meeting in the courthouse at the same time. *The Reidsville Review* continued to rail against the bridge proposal but little was heard on the matter from *The Leaksville News*. *The Tri-City Gazette* published in Spray was Mebane's chief supporter for his progressive plans and that paper claimed that the opponents of the bridge were trying to stop progress in the county.³¹

The commissioners' non-action on the bridge matter continued to agitate the county's citizens and on 2 July 1923 an estimated 2,000 protesters held a mass meeting in Wentworth at the same time as the commissioners were meeting. Some attendees became upset and made rash statements about the three pro-bridge commissioners, Mebane and his political machine. The meeting came close to being a riot but the group did manage to pass a resolution asking the commissioners to call for a county election on the question of building the bridge. Chairman Thomas R. Pratt promised to consider the request but the commissioners refused to call an election on the issue.³²

During the summer of 1923 the political pressure continued to build on the county commissioners and at one point Chairman T. R. Pratt and J. F. McCollum both stated they were too ill to attend the commissioners' meetings. Also during the summer R. B. Chance, a bridge opponent perhaps aware of the firestorm that was developing, resigned his seat on the Board. He was quickly replaced by a Reidsville businessman, George F. Barber, also a bridge opponent.³³ This change did not affect the board's

position on the bridge question since it was still three commissioners in favor of building the bridge and two against.

The Contract is Let

Despite the fact that a large majority of county citizens were opposed to building Mebane's bridge, on 7 January 1924 the three-man majority of the county commissioners- Pratt, Pruitt and McCollum - voted to let the contract to the Luten Bridge Company of Knoxville, Tennessee at a bid of \$39,670.³⁴ *The Reidsville Review* and the "Citizen's Committee" continued their crusade against building the bridge. In early February 1924 Commissioners Pratt, Pruitt and McCollum filed a large civil lawsuit for slander against *The Review* and the leaders of the "Citizen's Committee." Each of the three commissioners and some members of the Citizen's Committee were sued for \$25,000 damages being nearly a million dollar suit. The suit was to remain in the courts for five years before the case was dismissed by a judge.³⁵

A Change of Direction

During the month of February 1924 the story of Mebane's Bridge took a dramatic change of direction. As political pressure continued to mount on the pro-bridge commissioners, one of them, W. Frank Pruitt, resigned his seat on 11 February.³⁶ Pruitt cited poor health as his reason for resigning but he was also involved in an intense church controversy at the same time.³⁷ Clerk of Court Hunter K. Penn accepted commissioner Pruitt's resignation but that afternoon Pruitt called Penn's office saying that he wanted to withdraw his resignation. Penn disregarded his telephone call and the following day he appointed Leaksville businessman, W. W. Hampton, a strong opponent of Mebane's Bridge to fill the vacancy thus giving the Mebane's Bridge opponents a three to two majority on the county board of commissioners.³⁸ The pro-bridge commissioners, Pratt and McCollum, never attended another county commissioners meeting. However, the saga of Mebane's Bridge was far from over.

At its regular meeting on 21 February 1924 the county commissioners George F. Barber, J. R. Martin and W. W. Hampton passed a resolution rescinding the Luten Company's contract to build the Fishing Creek Bridge. The board notified the bridge company not to build the bridge.³⁹ The following day W. H. Long, vice-president of the Luten Bridge Company, said in a newspaper interview that the Luten Company

would go ahead and build the bridge since they had a legal contract. He continued, stating that the Rockingham County Commissioners “can’t rescind a contract. I cannot stop after contracting for the material and having it shipped here for the work ...I shall build the bridge and build it for the contract price or less. We are already down to the solid rock for one end of the bridge... The bridge would be 367 feet long with three arches, 105 feet each of an open spandrel ribbed type, 18 feet wide of reinforced concrete.” So the company continued working on the bridge.⁴⁰ One source said that the company maintained a night watchman throughout the building project since there was talk of dynamiting the structure.⁴¹

Luten Bridge Company

What manner of corporation was the Luten Bridge Company that insisted on building a bridge when the commissioners had rescinded the contract? The original company had been founded by Daniel B. Luten who was born in Michigan in 1869. He was an 1894 civil engineering graduate of The University of Michigan. From 1895-1900 he was an instructor of civil engineering at Purdue University but resigned in 1900 to design arch reinforced concrete bridges. Luten established The National Bridge Company in 1902 and was an enthusiastic salesman of his bridge design. By 1919 he had drawn plans for thousands of bridges which had been built across the country. Over the years he wrote a number of books on bridge construction and came to hold over 30 patents on arch concrete bridge design. After 1905 his National Bridge Company became involved only in engineering design and supervision of bridge construction. At that time Luten began making arrangements with other companies to build bridges using his plans. Some of the companies operated under the name Luten Bridge Company but their only connection with Daniel B. Luten was that they were paying him for the use of his name and bridge plans. One such company was The Luten Bridge Company of Knoxville, Tennessee with G. S. Dougherty serving as president.⁴²

Mebane’s Bridge was not the only bridge built by the Luten Company in Rockingham County. In 1919 the company had erected the concrete bridge across Smith River in Spray near the Spray Mercantile Company building at a cost of \$32,500. The bridge was built to replace the old steel truss structure erected at the site in 1889-1890. The 1919 bridge over the Smith River remained in use until 1954 when the present bridge was completed.⁴³

The Saga Continues

By late February 1924 the non-active chairman of the board Thomas R. Pratt was seriously ill and had to be confined to an out-of-state hospital. On 26 February the active members of the board, Barber, Martin and Hampton, met and elected James R. Martin as their new chairman.⁴⁴ The board met again on 3 March 1924 and passed another resolution informing Luten Bridge Company "that all work done on the bridge was at its own hazzard and risk since the contract was not a valid and legal contract." However the company continued working on the bridge and in April 1924 the board again notified the company that all bills given to the county for the work would be rejected but the company persisted in working on the project during the summer and fall of that year.⁴⁵

In the Rockingham County elections held in November 1924 the voters gave overwhelming approval to three former board members by re-electing Martin, Barber and Hampton and electing two bridge opponents J. A. Benton and Charles H. Dalton.⁴⁶ It was now clear that the Mebane political machine had lost its control of county government and one source said that they packed their bags in Wentworth and returned to Spray.⁴⁷

The Luten Company had continued working on the bridge until November 1924 three days before the new board of commissioners took their seats.⁴⁸ The bridge was complete except no fill dirt had been placed at either end of the structure's abutments and there was still no road to the bridge.

In December 1924 the new board held its first meeting and passed a new resolution stating that, "The Fishing Creek Bridge is not in the interest of the public and the action of the former board rescinding the order to build the bridge is hereby approved."⁴⁹ On 31 January 1925 the Luten Company sent a bill to the county for the bridge construction but again county officials refused to pay the bill.⁵⁰

Why did Luten Build The Bridge ?

There are many unanswered questions about the construction of Mebane's Bridge and the most interesting is why did the Luten Company not stop work when the contract was rescinded by the county? Since the records of B. Frank Mebane's Spray Water Power and Land Company are not available for researchers we probably will never know all the answers about the construction of the bridge. It may be as simple as Mebane was unwilling to give up his plans and insisted on the bridge construction continuing. Years later a newspaper article about one of the lawsuits over the bridge

stated that the Spray Water Power and Land Company gave Luten Bridge Company \$25,000 in Liberty Bonds to continue working on the project.⁵¹ B. Frank Mebane was not a man to let \$25,000 stop his master plan.

A Road For Mebane's Bridge

In 1923 when B. Frank Mebanes friends, Pratt, Pruitt and McCollum approved construction of Mebane's bridge they also authorized a new road to be built from the Draper highway to the road leading to Harrison's Crossroads and crossing the proposed bridge. There was a dead-end public road from the Moir homeplace to the Draper Road but the commissioners ordered that this road was to be abandoned so the new road could replace it.⁵² Records show that construction began on the road before work began on Mebane's Bridge. The road, two miles in length, began near the end of the Spray bridge and ran down the east side of Smith River. The upper end of the road was completed with the construction of two concrete culverts. As road construction reached a point near the present King's Highway area the project was abandoned after the county rescinded the bridge contract. However some grading had been started on the south end of the road in the Bear Slide area and two concrete culverts had been completed on the east side of Lynrock Golf Club. No fill dirt was ever added to either side of these culverts and they stand forgotten waiting for a road that would never be completed.

The road was given the name River Side Drive and the construction of the project was under the direction of the county engineer J. S. Trogdon. The cost of the road was approximately \$7,000.00 and the county commissioners actually paid \$2,000.00 of the cost before work was stopped on the project.⁵³ Years later in the upper end of the road would become the site of one of Eden's sewer lines.

The Law Suits Began

The Luten Bridge Company worked on the bridge until 3 November 1924. Most of the job was completed except for the approaches to the structure. Of course there was still no road to the bridge - the only way to cross the bridge was to climb a ladder on the north end of the structure built by Luten Bridge Company. Folklore says the ladder was later replaced by Rev. Levi Robertson so he could walk that way to his job in the Finishing Mill in Spray.⁵⁴

On 6 November 1924 the "former" county commissioners, Pruitt, Pratt and McCollum met with an attorney and signed a document admitting the county's liability



Mebane's Bridge in 2004. The bridge, erected in 1924, was closed to traffic in November, 2003.

Courtesy of Don Hoover



Remains of a bridge on Riverside Drive built ca. 1923-24 to connect Mebane's Bridge with the Spray-Draper Road. After the Mebane's Bridge controversy began, this construction project was abandoned.

Courtesy of Don Hoover

for building the bridge.⁵⁵ Then on 24 November 1924 Luten filed a law suit against Rockingham County and the county commissioners Pratt, Pruitt, McCollum, Martin, and Barber in Federal Court in Greensboro for the sum of \$18,301.07 for work on the bridge up to the date of 3 November 1924. Since the Luten Company did not consider W. W. Hampton to be a legally appointed commissioner he was not named in the suit.

The document signed by the three former commissioners was filed as part of Luten's law suit. The document would become a vital part of evidence in later trials.⁵⁶

On 1 December 1924 the newly elected board of commissioners met for their first meeting and they employed attorneys to defend the county's position in the Luten suit.⁵⁷ At the hearing the judge ordered the county to file an answer to the plaintiff's case by 1 August 1925. The county complied with this request. The county's attorneys denied that the bridge contract was legal or binding and they entered the resolution of the county commissioners which rescinded the contract for building the bridge.⁵⁸ A reply was filed by the plaintiff and the case was to remain in court for several years. The bridge case finally came to trial in Middle District Court in Greensboro in late February 1927. The county's defense hinged on the resignation of W.F. Pruitt and the appointment of W. W. Hampton in his place which allowed the county commissioners to rescind the bridge contract. The trial did not go well for the county as Judge E. Y. Webb excluded this vital part of the county's case. The jury returned a verdict for plaintiff in the full amount of \$18,301.07. The county took notice of appeal. When it became obvious that the opposing sides in the case would not compromise, Judge Webb asked both the defendants and plaintiffs to submit new affidavits and he would issue a decision at a later date. A hearing on the county's non-payment of the Judge's award was set for 8 December 1927 but evidently no action was taken on the matter and the case was continued.⁵⁹

A New Lawsuit Is Filed

In late November 1927 the Luten Bridge Company filed a new lawsuit for \$25,000, a supplementary action to the old suit instituted in 1924. The suit came to trial in Greensboro before Judge E. Y. Webb on 23 January 1929 at a special term of Federal Court. Judge Webb instructed the jury to find that the county was indebted to the bridge company in the sum of \$18,301.07. The jury found in favor of the plaintiff - thus Rockingham County lost the bridge case. The county attorneys gave notice of appeal to the Federal Court of Appeals in Richmond, Virginia. The attorneys in the case were A. L. Brooks and Julius C. Smith for the plaintiffs and for the defendants, W. M. Hendren of Winston-Salem, Frank P. Hobgood of Greensboro, and B. C.

Trotter and J. M. Sharp from Reidsville.⁶⁰

A Landmark Case

The long drawn out legal battle between the Luten Bridge Company and Rockingham County came before the Federal Court of Appeals in Richmond, Virginia in July 1929. Sitting on the bench were Judge John J. Parker of Monroe, North Carolina, Judge Soper of Baltimore and Judge McClintic of West Virginia. The same attorneys who served the plaintiff and the defendants in Greensboro also appeared in Richmond except P. W. Glidewell of Reidsville who appeared as attorney for the former commissioners Pratt, Pruitt and McCollum.⁶¹

The three-judge panel heard the case, and decided that the issue came down to the point-in-law - was W. W. Hampton legally appointed as a county commissioner to replace W. F. Pruitt and if so could the board then rescind a legal contract? On 15 October 1929 Judge Parker handed down the court's opinion that W. W. Hampton was a de facto member of the board and was a qualified member and that his actions were binding and that the board had the right to cancel the contract with Luten Bridge Company. The court further stated that the answer of Pratt, Pruitt and McCollum stating in the document that the county was liable for the bridge construction was not the answer of the county and that they had no right to answer as individuals and Judge Webb was in error not to strike out their answer. The court further ruled that Judge Webb should not have excluded the county commissioner's resolution and not directed a verdict for the plaintiff. The judge's conclusion was that the judgement of the Federal Court in Greensboro was in error and that the action be reversed and the case remanded for a new trial. Newspaper headlines proclaimed that Rockingham County had won the Mebane Bridge case and that the action was definitely concluded by the decision of the Court of Appeals in Richmond.⁶² However, this proved not to be true as the Luten Bridge Company was later to file a new lawsuit against the county.

Some interesting testimony came to light in the Court of Appeals hearing in Richmond. It was revealed that when W. W. Hampton was appointed to replace Commissioner Pruitt the bridge company had only one car load of cement on the ground at the bridge site and that at first the Luten Company stated their preparation and time lost only deprived them of \$3,000 profit. After the county rescinded the bridge contract, Luten said they were going to file a suit for breach of contract to collect a larger sum. The county offered to settle the matter but the company then refused and finished the bridge and then billed the county for \$40,000. This matter became an important point in law as the judge found that the Luten Company should have stopped construction of the bridge when notified by the county. The 15 October

1929 decision of the Court of Appeals was to become a benchmark in American jurisprudence.⁶³

The Bridge to Nowhere

In 1932 a newspaper reporter wrote the following paragraph about Mebane's Bridge: "Miles from anywhere, with no approaches and no connecting roads, the most beautiful bridge in the South springs in three magnificent arches across the historic Dan, a silhouette in virgin alabaster against the green hills of a wilderness."⁶⁴ The reporter accurately described the bridge - a totally useless structure which had cost the county large sums of money in lawyer fees and would continue to be a bone of contention for years to come.

Over time the area near the bridge became a rendezvous site for courting couples, picnickers and loafers and for target practice. The bridge itself became a popular site for young people to hold dances.⁶⁵ And so it continued in the Depression days.

New Developments

Sometime after the 1929 ruling the Luten Bridge Company filed a new lawsuit against Rockingham County for the sum of \$12,000 in damages for building the bridge. The case was heard in August 1932 before Judge Luther B. Way of Norfolk, Virginia, during a special civil session of Federal Court in Greensboro. After the trial the judge awarded the bridge company the sum of \$9,280 as profits due or would have accrued had not the county rescinded the order to build the bridge. The county was given 45 days in which to prepare an appeal. It appears that the county paid the Luten Company the \$9,280 awarded by the judge.⁶⁶

A Road At Last

The now famous Mebane's Bridge remained roadless for eleven years before the North Carolina State Highway Department took possession of the bridge by the condemnation process. Prior to 1931 the local county roads were maintained by the county and there was no effort to build a road to the bridge. In early July 1935 the State Highway Department began the construction of a dirt road to the bridge. Construction began at both ends of the new road with the north end tying into the Spray-Draper Road near the Flinchum's School.⁶⁷ On the south side of the Dan only a short road was needed to tie into the Harrison's Crossroad Road. When the new

road was completed one could at long last drive across “Mebane’s Folly.” However, the area was still rural in nature and little traffic used the bridge. It would be 1968 before the road across the bridge was paved.⁶⁸

A New Lawsuit

Luten Bridge Company claimed that the county owed them \$44,000. With the Spray Water Power and Land Company paying \$25,000 and the county paying \$9,200, the Luten Company said it was still due the sum of \$9,800. After the North Carolina State Highway Commission built the road across the bridge in 1935, Luten entered a suit against the Commission for the remaining \$9,800.⁶⁹ However, the highway commission referred the matter back to Rockingham County Court and on 22 June 1936 the case became a special proceeding hearing in Wentworth. The hearing was held in July 1936 before Clerk of Superior Court, M. T. Smith, with a jury composed of Fred Arrowood, Jimmie Orren and R. H. Terrell. The jury decided that Luten was entitled to nothing. The company filed notice of an appeal.⁷⁰ The suit remained in court for several years and on 24 October 1939 the case came before Superior Court Judge J. A. Rousseau in Wentworth. When the case was called, no representatives or attorneys for Luten Bridge appeared to prosecute the case.⁷¹ Judge Rousseau then charged the Luten Company with the court cost and records show that the cost was \$25.70. Records show that Luten failed to pay the bill. Insofar as is known this concluded the famous Mebane Bridge case. Court records show no other judgements or dismissal of the case.⁷²

Strange to say county newspapers failed to mention Judge Rousseau’s ruling; perhaps people were just sick and tired of hearing about the lawsuits which had dragged on for fifteen years.

Conclusion

In law schools across the United States students studying contract law still read the opinion of Judge John J. Parker handed down in October 1929 concerning the Luten Bridge Company vs Rockingham County lawsuit. Judge Parker’s decision was to become a landmark ruling which is still held valid today. The opinion is still taught in nearly every contracts law class in America.⁷³

Many of the cast of characters involved in the Mebane’s Bridge controversy did not live to see the issue resolved. The principle character in the saga, B. Frank Mebane, died of a heart attack in New York City on 15 June 1926 after a three day

illness. At the time of his death he was probably one of the most unpopular men in Rockingham County. He was not buried in the county but in the Mebane family plot in Oakwood Cemetery in the Town of Mebane, North Carolina.⁷⁴ His wife, Lily C. Morehead Mebane, was a public spirited woman who was active in relief efforts in eastern Europe after World War I and became a friend of Queen Marie of Romania. She was a Democrat and was elected one of Rockingham County's representatives in the State Assemblies of 1931-1933. She was the guiding force in establishing the Rockingham County Library System in the early 1930s. She died on 15 June 1943 at her home in Spray and was buried in the Morehead family plot in Leaksville's Lawson Cemetery.⁷⁵ The Mebanes had no children.

Of the three proponents for building Mebane's Bridge J. F. McCollum died on 26 December 1928, Thomas R. Pratt died on 3 May 1931 and W. F. Pruitt died 18 June 1957 at age 83.⁷⁶

Of the bridge opposition James R. Martin died on 21 June 1928, George E. Barber died on 8 October 1937 and William W. Hampton died on 27 October 1957 being the last survivor of the county commissioners involved in the case.⁷⁷ Robert B. Chance of Reidsville, the commissioner who resigned in 1923, died on 14 January 1928.⁷⁸

The bridge case still lives in folklore as the older residents of the county pass down the story of B. Frank Mebane's bridge which caused such a controversy in the 1920s. Some wags say the bridge, being roadless for eleven years, made it into Ripley's "Believe It Or Not" column, although the writer has not been able to verify this statement. One of the most asked questions is who paid for the \$40,000 bridge? It seems clear from testimony in the bridge lawsuits that B. Frank Mebane's Spray Water Power and Land Company paid \$25,000 to the Luten Bridge Company as part payment for the bridge. Then in 1932 when Rockingham County lost the lawsuit it had to pay the sum of \$9,280. From the best information available it seems the Luten Company failed to collect the remaining \$9,800. It would be interesting to know what the fifteen years of lawsuits cost the taxpayers of Rockingham County.

And what of B. Frank Mebane's visionary dream to connect the present Eden area to Reidsville with a new bridge and road? In 1957 - 1958 these projects came into being with the construction of Highway 14 and a new bridge across Dan River.⁷⁹ So was Mebane wrong in his vision or just in his methods and timing? The writer thinks perhaps he was a generation ahead of his time.

Today Mebane's Bridge still spans the Dan River near Eden; however, one can no longer cross the structure. On 23rd or 24th November 2003 the North Carolina Department of Transportation closed the bridge.⁸⁰

A great number of Luten Bridges built around the country have been torn down in recent years. Will Mebane's Bridge, an excellent example of a Luten bridge, meet the same fate? North Carolinas Department of Transportation lets old bridges fall into disrepair then condemns them as unsafe and then demolishes the structure to prevent future liability cost. Will this be the fate of Mebane's Bridge, a nationally known structure, which was once called one of the most beautiful bridges in the South?⁸¹ Perhaps the bridge will remain for some years since the structure supports a major sewer line.

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Notes

- ¹ Rockingham County Board of County Commissioners Minutes, (1903-1923) p. 564. Herein after cited as Rockingham Commissioners Minutes. *The Reidsville Review*, 12 May 1922.
- ² Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, p. 564. *The Arrow*, 7 February 1924.
- ³ *The Tri-City Daily Gazette*, 5 February 1924. "To the Tax Payers of Rockingham County:" political handbill from Democratic Commissioners (undated 1928?) Historical Collections Room, Rockingham Community College Library.
- ⁴ Katharine Kerr Kendall, "The Yancey Family in Caswell County, North Carolina." from Blaylock Records, Book 4, p. 315. B. Frank Mebane's great grandfather, Thomas Yancey, was a brother of Bartlett Yancey, Jr. (1785-1828) who served in the US Congress 1815-1817 and as Caswell's State Senator 1817-1828.
- ⁵ William S. Powell (ed) *Dictionary of North Carolina Biography*, Volume 4, p. 245. Archibald Henderson, North Carolina: *The Old North State and the New*, Lewis Publishing Company: Chicago. 1941: Volume 5, p. 609. Research by the author shows that B. Frank Mebane's mother, Fannie Kerr, and Lily Morehead Mebane's grandmother, Frances Kerr Connally were first cousins.
- ⁶ Family tradition from Lily Morehead's great-niece Mrs. Lily Harris Keeling, of Danville, Virginia, 20 September 2000.
- ⁷ *The Atlanta Constitution*, 9 February 1893.

- ⁸ Michael Perdue, "Rockingham's First Lady: Lily Morehead Mebane," *The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy*, Volume 25, Number 2, December 2000 pp. 62-66. Herein cited as *Rockingham Journal, The Alamance Gleamer*, 17 August 1899. James W. Wall, *History of Davie County North Carolina* Rowan Business Forms, Salisbury, NC, 1969. p. 277.
- ⁹ *Rockingham Journal*, Volume 25, number 2, December 2000, p. 62.
- ¹⁰ Rockingham County Deeds: Book 97. P. 317.
- ¹¹ See note number 5. The number of mills would be six if Spray Cotton Mill was included in the number but Mebane's involvement in the construction of that mill is not clear.
- ¹² Lawrence McCrae, "The Textile School," undated letter to editor, *The Greensboro Daily News*, Mebane Collection, Historical Collections Room, Rockingham Community College Library, Josephus Daniels, *Tar Heel Editor*, The University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, 1939, pp 461-462. Daniels said he advised McIver not to accept Mebane's offer of \$10,000 per year, use of home farm and traveling expenses to oversee the Textile school. For information on the 1907 panic see: John Moody, *The Masters of Capital, A Chronicle of Wall Street* Yale University Press, New Haven, 1919, pp. 142-153.
- ¹³ See note number 8. One of Mebane's major financial problems was the construction of the North Carolina and Virginia Railroad from Spray to Ridgeway, Virginia in 1910-1911. Mebane built the railroad to obtain lower shipping rates from the Norfolk and Western Railroad for his textile products than was available from the local Danville and Western Railroad. Grading of the 11 mile line was completed but no rails were laid, and the project was abandoned.
- ¹⁴ Mebane's reputation as a "wheeler-dealer" has survived in the folklore of the county. Interview with Thomas Harrington, Eden, North Carolina, 3 December 2003. Also from Otis Marlowe 3 July 2004.
- ¹⁵ C. P. Robertson, "He was Rockingham County's most Interesting Citizen," (transcript 1955) in vertical files of Eden Public Library. The article was published in *The Leaksville News*; 14 April 1965, and 8 September 1980. Herbert K. Job "The Story of A Game Preserve." *Field & Stream Magazine*, September 1909. Interview with R. I. "Dick" Smith, 10 November 1988 who stated that, when a boy, he accompanied Frank D. Butler (Mebane's farm overseer) on trips by train to show cattle at fairs in Danville and Richmond. He stated that on these trips they had to sleep with the cattle in the livestock cars. Smith said Butler later purchased a farm below Danville.
- ¹⁶ *The News and Observer* (Raleigh), 21 October 1905.
- ¹⁷ *The Reidsville Review*, 18 December 1908. Mrs. Helen Taft suffered a stroke the year following her visit to the Mebane home in Spray.

- ¹⁸ These favors included recommendations for the appointment of local postmasters. A case in point is, Numa Reid, postmaster of Wentworth from 1906-1913. See Michael Perdue, "The Postmasters of Wentworth, North Carolina, 1870-1986 " *Rockingham Journal*, Volume 24, Number 1, June 1999, p. 37.
- ¹⁹ *Rockingham Journal*, Volume 16, December 1991, p. 86.
- ²⁰ *The Reidsville Review*, 20 June 1923. *The Leaksville News*, 31 October 1924.
- ²¹ See note number 15. Mr. Robertson mentions Mebane's plans for a giant chemical plant but does not name the company. Russ Edmonston, "Bridge Is Tribute to Entrepreneur" *Greensboro Daily News*, 26 December 1976. Edmonston interviewed the late Allan D. Ivie, Jr. who said Mebane's plan was to locate a mammoth manufacturing company within the Meadows. The Meadows is a level section of the county reaching from the Smith River past the Draper area. In the 1970s a large company, Miller Brewing, was built in the area.
- ²² *The Arrow*, 3 July 1924. The new concrete bridge over Dan River at Hamilton Street was built 1922-1924 by Atlantic Bridge Company of Roanoke, Virginia at a cost of over \$100,000. The bridge was opened for traffic in July 1924. The bridge is presently being replaced by a new structure and the old bridge was closed to traffic on 9 August 2004. The old bridge will soon be demolished.
- ²³ The Leaksville Covered Bridge was erected in 1852 to replace the 1832 bridge which was washed away in the flood of 1850. The covered bridge was closed to traffic ca. 1938 and collapsed into Dan River in October 1943.
- ²⁴ Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1903-1923), p. 556, Chance was a Reidsville businessman and Martin was a Stoneville businessman.
- ²⁵ *The Reidsville Review*, 26 March 1923.
- ²⁶ *The Reidsville Review*, 4 July 1923.
- ²⁷ *The Reidsville Review*, 13 June 1923.
- ²⁸ Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1903-1923), p. 564.
- ²⁹ *The Reidsville Review*, 8 June 1923.
- ³⁰ *The Reidsville Review*, 20 June 1923.
- ³¹ *The Tri-City Daily Gazette*: 30 January 1924; 5 February 1924; 22 February 1924.
- ³² *The Reidsville Review*; 2 July 1923; 4 July 1923. Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1903-1923), p. 574.
- ³³ *The Reidsville Review*, 4 July 1923. Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1903-1923), 23 October 1923. *The Arrow*, 30 August 1923. Barber was a building contractor and a former brick manufacturer.

- ³⁴ Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1924-1937), p. 2. *The Arrow*, 17 January 1924.
- ³⁵ *The Tri-City Daily Gazette*, 2 February 1924. *The Leaksville News*, 3 August 1936.
- ³⁶ Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1924-1937), p. 4. *The Arrow*, 21 February 1924. *The Reidsville Review*, 13 February 1924.
- ³⁷ W. Frank Pruitt, a Primitive Baptist Minister was embroiled in an intense doctrinal controversy at Dan River Primitive Baptist Church during the period. A lawsuit concerning the matter later went to the North Carolina Supreme Court with Pruitt being on the losing side. See *The Reidsville Review*, 22 August 1924, 29 August 1924.
- ³⁸ Interview with Mrs. Klyce Hampton Chandler, 17 June 2004. Mrs. Chandler, a daughter of W. W. Hampton, stated that her father was a strong opponent of the Mebane Bridge project.
- ³⁹ *The Reidsville Review*, 22 February. 1924. Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1924-1937), p. 4.
- ⁴⁰ *The Tri-City Daily Gazette*, 22 February 1924.
- ⁴¹ *The News and Observer*, (Raleigh), 24 October 1937.
- ⁴² *Who's Who in America*, A. N. Marquis Company, Chicago, Volume 2 (1943-1950). p. 333. Luten died on 3 July 1946. A search by State Library of North Carolina staff shows that Luten wrote several books on concrete bridge construction in the early 1900s. A book on *Delaware's Historic Bridges*, page 157, contains the information on Luten's bridge construction. James L. Cooper's *Artistry and Ingenuity In Artificial Stone* contains information about Luten Bridges in the state of Indiana. Interview by Don Hoover with Daniel B. Luten III, 21 March 2004. Luten stated that his grandfather did not own Luten Bridge Company in Knoxville, Tennessee. He sold the right and use of his bridge patents to a number of construction companies around the country who then operated under the Luten name - *Transcript of Record. United States Court of Appeals Fourth Circuit*, case number 2873, filed 24 May 1929, page 6, herein-after cited as *Transcript of Records*.
- ⁴³ Rockingham, Commissioners Minutes, (1903-1923), p. 439. On 19 May 1919 Luten Bridge Company was awarded a contract to build four concrete bridges in Rockingham County. *The Tri-City Daily Gazette*, February 1924. These bridges were over Smith River, [Spray], Joyce's Creek near Stoneville, Hogan's Creek and Little Jacob's Creek. The contract also included moving one span of the 1890 steel truss bridge from the old Smith River bridge at Spray and rebuilding it at the confluence of Jacob's Creek. This bridge remained in use until 1975 and was demolished in 1978. The 1919 Luten Bridge at Spray was replaced by a new bridge in 1954. Current plans call for the 1954 Smith River Bridge to be replaced in the near future.

- 44 Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1924-1937), pp. 4-5.
- 45 Ibid, p. 5.
- 46 *The Tri-City Daily Gazette*, 4 November 1924. *The Leaksville News*, 2 December 1924. J. A. Benton (1865-1925) was a prominent citizen and merchant from Ruffin and Charles Henry Dalton (1864-1947) was the owner of a large farm in western Rockingham County, *The Arrow*, 4 December 1924.
- 47 B. Frank Mebane had maintained an office in Wentworth since 1916 when he purchased a small building which stood in the east driveway of the Dodson house. See Rockingham County Deed Book 193, p. 2. Lily M. Mebane sold the building to Numa R. Reid in 1937 and the building was demolished.
- 48 *The Reidsville Review*, 9 December 1929.
- 49 Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1924-1937), p. 25.
- 50 Ibid, p. 33.
- 51 *The Leaksville News*, 11 August 1932.
- 52 Rockingham Commissioners Minutes, (1903-1923), p. 556. The old road to the Moir place ran near the same route as today's South Van Buren Road in Eden. The road is also North Carolina Highway 14.
- 53 Milton Hundley and the author hiked the route of the River Side Drive in November 2003 and in the Spring of 2004. King's Highway was built through the area in 1958. Bear Slide is a natural heritage area owned by Rockingham Community College since 1980 when the land was donated by the Spray Water Power and Land Company. *Transcript of Record* pp.59, 63, 74 and 79.
- 54 Interview with Herbert Pratt, New Castle, Delaware, 24 June 2004. Mr. Pratt, a retired chemical engineer, grew up in Spray area of Eden. Levi Robertson was a Pentecostal Holiness minister in the Spray Church of that denomination. The original ladder was twelve or fifteen feet tall according to J. S. Trogdon, County Engineer. See *Transcript of Record*. p. 113.
- 55 *The Federal Reporter*, Volume 35, 2nd Series, p. 303. This is Judge Parker's ruling handed down on 15 October 1929 in the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Virginia.
- 56 Ibid.
- 57 Ibid.
- 58 Ibid, pp. 303-304.
- 59 *The Greensboro Daily News*, February 1927.
- 60 *The Leaksville News*; 25 November 1927; 4 January 1929; 25 January 1929. *The Greensboro Daily News*, January 1929.

- 61 The Leaksville News, 18 October 1929. *The Danville Register*, 19 October 1929. The case was filed in May 1929 and argued 23 July 1929.
- 62 *The Federal Reporter*, Volume 35, 2nd Series, pp. 301-309.
- 63 Ibid. *The Reidsville Review*, 16 October 1929.
- 64 *The Leaksville News*, 11 August 1932.
- 65 Interview with Otis Marlowe (age 92) 8 July 2004. *The Leaksville News*, 4 August 1932, mentions a dance which was held on Mebane's Bridge. *The Greensboro Daily News*, 2 September 1979.
- 66 *The Leaksville News*, 11 August 1932. *The Greensboro Patriot*, 11 August 1932.
- 67 *The Leaksville News*, 18 July 1935. Flinchum's School stood near the northwestern corner of the intersection of Van Buren Road (NC 14) and Meadow Road (NC 700). The school was a brick building erected in 1921 and which burned in 1941. See *The Leaksville News*, 6 November 1941. *The News and Observer* (Raleigh), 24 October 1937.
- 68 *The Greensboro Daily News*, 2 September 1979. An article in this paper states that the Mebane's Bridge road was paved in 1968.
- 69 *The News and Observer* (Raleigh), 24 October 1937.
- 70 *The Leaksville News*, 6 August 1936. *The Reidsville Review*, 3 August 1936. The three men who served on the jury were well known citizens of Rockingham County. Fred M. Arrowood was a druggist and operated the Arrowood Drug Company on South Scales Street in Reidsville. Arrowood and his wife Elizabeth lived in Reidsville from ca. 1928 to ca. 1938 when they moved to Bessemer City in Gaston County, North Carolina. James H. Orren (1909-1981) was a native of Troutman, North Carolina. In 1935 he was manager of the Gables Store in Reidsville and later he became the co-owner and manager of the Jewel Box in Reidsville. His wife Marian Chance Orren (1907-1987) was a daughter of the County Commissioner Robert Bailey Chance who resigned in 1923. Richard Hanson Terrell, (1886-1972) was born in Stokes County, North Carolina. He married Eva M. Barker in 1914 and they moved to the Calvary Church Community ca. 1920, where he became a well known farmer. Mr. Terrell invented several improvements to farm implements over the years.
- 71 *The Greensboro Daily News*, 2 September 1979. A search of the Special Proceedings Records by Clerk of Court, Mark Pegram, and the author in 2003 turned up the Luten Bridge file (number 2345) which was empty.
- 72 "Rockingham County Execution Docket Book," Volume L, p. 84, October term 1939. The court cost of the Luten Bridge Company vs State Highway and Public Works Commission was \$25.70. The record shows that the Luten Bridge Company did not pay the bill.

- ⁷³ E-mail from Adam J. Farrar to Bob Carter, 5 December 2001. "I am a law student at Indiana University searching for information concerning a controversial bridge built by the Luten Bridge Company in 1924 in Rockingham County. It culminated in a very famous federal case, popular in legal casebooks for beginning law students." Interview with Dr. Barak Richman, 9 August, 2004.
- ⁷⁴ The Greensboro Daily News, 16 June 1926. According to the tombstone placed at Mebane's grave in Oakwood Cemetery in the town of Mebane, North Carolina, by his wife, Lily M. Mebane, he was born 4 February 1867 and died 15 June 1926. Newspaper articles often state that he was born in 1870. The tombstone also contains the inscription, "Until the day breaks and the shadows flee away. Erected in loving memory by his wife."
- ⁷⁵ For more information on Lily M. Mebane see *The Rockingham Journal*, Volume 25, Number 2, December 2000.
- ⁷⁶ Joe F. McCollum was buried at Mount Bethel Christian Church Cemetery in the Bethany area. Tom Pratt was buried in the Riverside Cemetery in Madison. W. Frank Pruitt was buried in the Dan River Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery in the Mayfield Community.
- ⁷⁷ James R. Martin was buried in the family plot at Ayersville Baptist Church Cemetery. George E. Barber was buried in the Greenview Cemetery in Reidsville. Will W. Hampton was buried in the Lawson Cemetery in Eden.
- ⁷⁸ Robert Baily Chance was born on 2 October 1862 in Williamsburg Township of Rockingham County. In 1886 he moved to Reidsville where he entered the furniture business in 1899. From 1902 until 1912 he and a partner operated the well-known Reidsville firm of Hall and Chance. In 1912 the company was re-organized under the name of Burton-Chance and Walker which remained in business at the time of his death in 1928.
- ⁷⁹ *The Leaksville News*: 20 June 1957; 24 July 1958.
- ⁸⁰ Interview 9 August 2004 with Duke University law student, Jordi Weinstock, who visited Mebane's Bridge shortly after it was closed to traffic.
- ⁸¹ *The Leaksville News*, 11 August 1932.

*Col. B. Frank Mebane in his
later years.*

Courtesy of Lily Harris Keeling



*C. P. Robertson (1886 - 1992) of Stoneville,
North Carolina who wrote the character sketch
of B. Frank Mebane in 1955.*

Photograph from C. P. Robertson's
*History of Joyce Presbyterian Chapel,
Stoneville, North Carolina
1905 - 1959.*

A Character Sketch of B. Frank Mebane

by
C. P. Robertson

Editor's Note: Cleveland Pose Robertson wrote this sketch of B. Frank Mebane in 1955 perhaps for a speech to be delivered to the local Rotary Club. Robertson was an acquaintance of Mebane, a fellow Republican, and a businessman in Spray at the same time when Mebane was still an important force in the Leaksville-Spray area, Robertson's carefully worded sketch accents some positive traits in Mebane's complex character. The sketch reveals a side of Mebane's personality which is now forgotten.

C. P. Robertson was an interesting personality in his own right. He was born at Woolwine, Patrick County, Virginia on April 5, 1886, being one of the ten children of A. P. and Adeline Wood Robertson. The Robertson family moved to Spray, North Carolina (now part of Eden) in 1899, where C. P. Robertson would later become a many faceted businessman. He founded a successful oil distribution company and was active in the mercantile trade and the real estate business. During World War II he founded the Keystone Mica Company which mined mica in Rockingham and Stokes Counties, western North Carolina, and Henry County, Virginia. By the end of the war demand for mica decreased and mining vanished from the area.

In 1924 Mr. Robertson married Ruby Thrasher and the couple lived in Spray and Madison before moving to Stoneville where they settled in the Thrasher homeplace which was built in 1906 by Mrs. Robertson's mother. The Robertsons were active members of the Stoneville Presbyterian Church. He was an elder in the Stoneville church for over 60 years. During his retirement years Mr. Robertson wrote a number of books which he gave to friends. Years ago people used to pay a compliment to an author by saying, "You are a gentleman and a scholar." These words perfectly describe the character of C. P. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson died 10 January 1992 at age 105 and his wife Ruby died on 6 October 2000 at age 97. They were buried in Overlook Cemetery in Eden. The Robertsons has no children.¹

The Mebane sketch has appeared in print three times. It first appeared in The Leaksville News on 14 April 1965 under the title 'Genius B. Frank Mebane Lived Only For Sweepstakes In Life.' In December 1975 the article was published in The Advisor, a local magazine, under the title "He Was Rockingham County's Most Interesting Citizen" which was Robertson's original title. The article was published in The Eden Daily News on 8 September 1980 under the title "B. Frank Mebane Was Area's Mightiest Force."

THE MEBANE SKETCH

It is quite safe to say that no story-book hero ever has a more romantic history than B. Frank Mebane, industrial tycoon, town builder, millionaire, philanthropist and patron of the arts. He was the most fabulous and colorful character to appear on the Leaksville community scene during the life of the town, and its mightiest personal force for a generation.

Born in 1870 [1867] in Alamance County, he was a member of a family who played a large part in the industrial and political life of North Carolina.² His family were the founders of the town of Mebane.

As a builder he had few equals and certainly no superiors in this part of the state. To erect and place in operation a large cotton or woolen mill is an undertaking very few men can accomplish in a lifetime, but Mr. Mebane held the record for building a mill each year for a decade, besides numerous other herculean tasks or undertakings, among them a short line railroad.³

It has been said that the colonel, as he was called by his friends, lived like a king, and I suspect that he lived better than some kings nowadays. One might get some idea of the splendor and opulence of his manner of living by recalling that the trains stopped in front of his home whenever he or his family or guests wished to dismount or board the train to run from Danville to Leaksville as he arrived there after the regular scheduled train had made its run.

Many colorful and socially prominent people of the nation were often entertained as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mebane in the ancestral home of Governor Morehead, Mrs. Mebane's grandfather.⁴

Regal, and possessed of a magnificent physique, he could be spotted in a crowd as a most unusual person. And while he never mingled with the masses, he undoubtedly loved people and felt that his part in life was to do something for his fellowman. But he worked from the top down rather than from the bottom up. He was 'the most Roman of them all.'

His manner of dress was quite as unconventional as any other part of his complex personality. The sternness of his individualism forbade him going into a haberdasher's place to look for clothes. He would have the stores on Fifth Avenue (New York) send up to his suite in the hotel boxes of ties and other apparel to make selections from. He could hardly go into a store, much less the ordeal of looking at wearing apparel.

While he was a young man (with his uncle in Danville) he said that Danville was too slow for him. He left Danville and went to New York where he made a contract to sell food products for a concern that shipped into different states. And within a few days he began to send in orders which were stupendous, baffling and wholly unbelievable, I don't know how much the story has been exaggerated with the passing of the years, but it is told that he sent in orders for car loads of pickles and peppers, a thing unheard of before that time. The manager blew up. He accused his young salesman of trying to play a prank on him by sending in such orders; he

couldn't believe the orders were genuine.⁵ As a salesman, Mr. Mebane was superlative. He was extraordinary in everything he did.

Business was an art with Mr. Mebane. Finance, building, and trading came as natural with him as water over the dam. It was part of his being and he loved it. Business was a game. He played for sweepstakes. I doubt if he loved money or great wealth more than other people do. He just loved to do things. He loved his community and wanted to see it grow and prosper, and he loved to see people employed.

He believed that any one who could give employment to those who needed work was a benefactor, a doctrine which has grown to be a little old fashioned.

He knew a great deal about textile manufacturing. A friend of his said that Mr. Mebane could "see more in a piece of cotton cloth" than any person he had ever known. But he thoroughly exhausted any subject he became interested in, and he was interested in manufacturing of cotton products almost all of his business life.

Textile manufacturing was new in the South fifty years ago, and Mr. Mebane probably over-extended himself as a manufacturer, especially in turning out finished products.

Mr. Mebane's extensive land holdings, some eight thousand acres, extending from Leaksville to Cascade, was a source of great pride to him. He wished to develop his land so that it would become profitable. No one thought it could be done, that is, no one but the colonel. He called in the best talent available and soon he had the "Meadows" on a paying basis.

It was Mr. Mebane who introduced Hereford cattle to this part of the state, paying fabulous prices for pure-bred animals to stock his farms with.

One of his pet projects or ventures was into the printing and publishing business. The old Eagle Printing Company did an extensive business for many years, and the Rockingham Reconstructionist, weekly newspaper, boasted a substantial subscription list.⁶ This venture, to the amazement of experienced publishers, turned out to be quite profitable.

While Mr. Mebane did not always have the full cooperation of the community in developing the different enterprises he undertook from time to time, he usually won out in the end. And if he had lived a few years longer Leaksville would have had a giant chemical plant down the river on the Mebane side.⁷

It is interesting to note that Mr. Mebane was at one time talked of as a candidate for governor on the Republican ticket. That was back in the day when the Republican party usually ran "a big business man" for the office of governor.

The newspapers over the state were generally sympathetic, and some were enthusiastic about the matter. The Greensboro Record ran a three column cut of Mr. Mebane on its front page, and I believe, was after the paper had changed to an independent newspaper. However, I doubt if Mr. Mebane was ever very much interested in politics.

He had the ability to interest men in his enterprises. Among those who were connected with him: one became a New York banker, another developed into a financial

genius; others went into business for themselves, while several able business leaders went with Marshall Field Company.

Mr. Mebane was indeed the father of modern Leaksville. He came while the town was still a struggling village. It was through his influence that the Marshall Field people were induced to invest real money in the town. He had a desire way down in his heart to help his neighbors. On one occasion he remarked to this writer that he would like to establish an industrial school for boys in Spray.⁸

It was through the genius and industry, directed from the library of his home, that a thriving city has gone forward. He was also the founder of the town of Draper. The marks of an industrial genius are stamped indelibly on that thriving little city, for he built well.

Reared in the Presbyterian faith, he believed in the sovereignty of God and the dignity of man with tolerance toward all. He loved constituted authority and was a conservative in politics.

He was a fabulous personality and his like will not appear again. Benjamin Franklin Mebane was a great man.

The inscription over the tomb of the great architect, Sir Christopher Wrenn in St. Paul Cathedral in London, which Sir Christopher had designed, is a fitting tribute to the life and work of the late B. Frank Mebane in the Leaksville area.

"If you would see this monument look around."

NOTES

- 1 Sources for the C. P. Robertson biographical sketch: The Leaksville News, 14 April 1965; The Advisor, December 1975, p. 21; The Eden Daily News, 8 September 1980, 9 September, 1983; The Greensboro News & Record, 31 August 1989; The Eden Daily News, 13 January 1992, 14 January 1992; The Heritage of Rockingham County, 1983, p. 533; Rockingham County Death Records 1988-1995, p. 311; Tombstones at Overlook Cemetery, Eden, North Carolina.
- 2 Mebane was born 4 February 1867 according to his tombstone in Oakwood Cemetery in Mebane, North Carolina.
- 3 Mebane built the North Carolina and Virginia Railroad in a bluff to obtain cheaper freight rates for shipping his textile products from the Danville and Western Railroad which served Leaksville, Spray and Draper. Tradition says that the ties were laid but the railroad was never completed.
- 4 Gov. John Motley Morehead resided in Greensboro but built a brick cottage in Spray for a place to stay while he was looking after his textile mill business. Years later his son, J. Turner Morehead and the Mebanes enlarged the house by building several large additions. The house partially burned on 27 April, 1969 and was demolished several years later.

- 5 The Mebane Family Papers (Collection #3227) in The Southern Historical Collections, Chapel Hill, show that B. Frank Mebane was employed by B. W. Graves, Wholesale and Retail Grocer, Danville, Virginia by May 1886 and that he was working for Austin, Nichols & Company in New York by August, 1888.
- 6 Mr. Robertson may be correct about the name of Mebane's newspaper, but The Tri-City Gazette seems to be the organ that supported all of Mebane's grand projects.
- 7 The giant chemical plant was part of Mebane's master plan when he succeeded in having "Mebane's Bridge" built over the objections of the Rockingham County taxpayers in 1924.
- 8 Mebane made plans to build the industrial school but the panic of 1907 ended his efforts. Within the next three or four years Mebane's textile empire slipped into bankruptcy and Marshall Field of Chicago took control of most of the mills to recover the large sums of money which Mebane owed the company. Years later, the Marshall Field Company did establish a vocational school somewhat similar to what Mebane had in mind. However, Mebane's planned school was on a college level.

NORTH CAROLINA COURT MINUTES: A GENERAL OVERVIEW

In North Carolina, from colonial times until 1868, the county was the primary political and geographical unit. The court of pleas and quarter sessions composed of justices of the peace administered the affairs of the county. In the early history of the court, the justices were appointed by the governor on recommendation from members of a particular county's legislative delegation. Later, members of the court were appointed by the legislature. The justices were usually prominent citizens of the county, and their appointment was for life. During the nineteenth century, with ever-increasing appointments, the court became quite large, with as many as forty to fifty justices serving. State law required only a quorum of three justices to conduct business, but usually four to six were in attendance. When important business was to be transacted, additional justices were present.

The responsibilities of the court of pleas and quarter session included: hearing civil suits and minor criminal cases; summoning and selecting juries; issuing writs, subpoenas and executions; providing for public buildings, probation estates, hearing petitions; ruling on individual cases of lunacy, caring for orphans and illegitimate children; maintaining public roads and bridges, regulation of building gristmills and granting licenses to taverns.

The court also appointed a clerk of court, a registrar of deeds, a county attorney, county trustee (treasurer), surveyor, wardens of the poor, patrollers (for overseeing the behavior of slaves and free blacks), sheriff, constables (minor peace officers), ranger (for dealing with roving livestock), entry takers (who process state land grant applications), and superintendents of the common school (after 1839). The officers had to swear an oath to perform their duties and post a bond guaranteeing their actions according to law.

The county court set the local rate and appointed individuals to list, assess and collect taxes. The court also directed the use of the tax revenue that was collected. The county was divided into militia captains' districts and these subdivisions also served for the collection of taxes. By the 1840's, the districts were being names for either local landmarks or American patriots.

The minutes of the court of pleas and quarter sessions were recorded in manuscript volumes. Often the handwriting is difficult to read, but because the records contain so much valuable information about people and placed in the county, they are an excellent resource for researchers of genealogy and local history. The surviving court minutes were sent to the North Carolina State Archives many years ago. They have been microfilmed and are part of the core collection of local county records. Many larger libraries have the records for their own respective counties.

The Rockingham County Historical Society wishes to thank Susan G. Irving for her excellent work in preparing for publication the court minute of the February 1856 session. Mrs. Irving has retained the original spelling and inconsistencies used in the minutes, and researchers are thus encouraged to search for all possible spellings of their family names.

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Rockingham County Court Minutes for February 1856

Transcribed by Susan Irving

State of North Carolina}
Rockingham County }

Be it remembered that at a Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions, begun and held for the County of Rockingham at the Court House in Wentworth on the fourth Monday of February 1856, it being the 25th day of the month

Present

Thomas Settle Chm	}	
Thos. W. Keen	}	
Joseph Holderby	}	Justices
David J. Rawly	}	
Wm. Scott	}	

When and Where **James Roberts** Sheriff of Said County returned to Court the following list of Jurors summoned to this Term to wit –

- | | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. David L. Wright | 14. Hugh Willis | 27. Wm. C. Patterson |
| 2. Allen Kallam | 15. Stackie Smith | 28. Edwin S. Morris |
| 3. Thos. W. Pearson | 16. B. Y. Cummings | 29. Sidney Witty |
| 4. Hervy Moore | 17. Abram Baker | 30. Jas. McCollum Junr |
| 5. Wm. McCollum | 18. Gabriel Cardwell | 31. Thos. W. Field |
| 6. John Foy Sr. | 19. Saml. Richardson | 32. Charles Joyner |
| 7. Henry McGeehee | 20. James Barnes | 33. Phillip Pratt |
| 8. Alfred Reid | 21. John G. Roberts | 34. Henry Thomas |
| 9. John Roberts | 22. Pinckney Wharton | 35. Joseph Covington |
| 10. Granville Price | 23. Eppy P. Barnes | 36. Elijah Thompson |
| 11. Henry J. Truit | 24. Wm. Hutson | 37. Robt. L. Coram |
| 12. John Walker | 25. Ro. P. Richardson | 38. Barnett Troxler |
| 13. B. F. Witty | 26. Wm. M. Jones | 39. Walter B. Johnson |

From among whom the following were drawn as Grand Jurors for this term –

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Alfred Reid Foreman | 7. Pinckney Wharton | 13. David L. Wright |
| 2. Ro. L. Coram | 8. Jas. McCollum Junr | 14. Barnett Troxler |
| 3. John Roberts | 9. John Foy Snr | 15. Stackie Smith |
| 4. Henry J. Truit | 10. Henry Thomas | 16. Jas. Barnes |
| 5. W. B. Johnson | 11. Samuel Richardson | 17. Gabriel Cardwell |
| 6. Allen Kallam | 12. E. S. Morris | 18. Joseph Covington |

Who being duly Sworn and Charged, and an Officer **James D. Ellington** Sworn to attend them –

When the following of the Original pannell were called, and answered, to wit –

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. B. F. Witty, | 2. Elijah Thompson, | 3. Robert P. Richardson, | 4. B. Y. Cummings |
| 5. Thos. W. Field | 6. Abram Baker, | 7. William McCollum, | 8. Phillip Pratt, |
| 9. Hugh Willis | 10. William Hutson | 11. E. P. Barnes, | 12. Thomas W. Pearson |
| 13. Hervy Moore | 14. Granville Price, | 15. Charles Joyner | 16. Sidney Witty, |
| 17. John G. Roberts – | | | |

William C. Patterson, Wm. M. Jones, Jurors summoned to this Term, called and failed to appear Judgment Ni si against each for the sum of \$4.00 –

John C. Barnes a Juror at the last term of this Court who was fined \$4. which fine is by this Court remitted –

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of **Henry Mills** Deceased is produced in open Court and propounded for probate. Thereupon **Thomas B. Wheeler** one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, being duly Sworn, testified that he saw the said **Henry Mills** sign the same, and thus he subscribed the same as a witness in the presence of & at the request of the said **Henry Mills**, that he also saw the other subscribing witness **P. G. Jones** who is now a citizen of a foreign State subscribes the same, that it was done in the presence and at the request of said **Henry Mills** – Whereupon it is adjudged by the Court that the same is the last Will and Testament of the said **Henry Mills**, duly Executed and proven, and as such that it be recorded –

Whereupon **Charles Mills** the Executor therein named came into Court and qualified as such by taking the Oath of Office –

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of **Thomas Knight** decd is produced in open Court and propounded for probate –

Thereupon the due Execution of the same is duly proven by the Oaths of the subscribing witnesses thereto, **Albert Lomax & H. P. Lomax**, Whereupon it is adjudged by the Court here that the same is duly Executed and proven, and is ordered to be recorded –

Thereupon **John C. Knight** the Executor therein named came in his proper person into Court, and there in open Court renounced his right to qualify as such, which he is allowed by the Court here to do –

Thereupon on Motion **William Cummings** is appointed administrator with the said Will annexed – and having entered into Bond with **Robin Brown** and **Lucille Moore** as his sureties in the sum of Six Thousand dollars is allowed by the Court to qualify –

It is ordered by the Court that **Miles D. King & James Q. Montgomery** be appointed Commissioners to settle with **Robert T. Williams & Stacky Smith** Executors of **Levin Moore** decd and such they be allowed five per cent on the receipts, and report according to Law –

It is ordered by the Court that **George L. Aikin & Jones W. Burton** be appointed commissioners to settle with **John Strong** administrator of **James Vernon** and that he be allowed five per cent on both sides of his account, and report to the next Term of this Court –

It is ordered by the Court that **Robert W. Lawson** Administrator of **John Lawson** Decd. be allowed four per cent on the receipts of said Estate –

It is ordered by the Court that **Robert Walker Junr. & James Starrete** be appointed commissioners to settle with **Joseph Young** as Guardian of **Madison. Thomas & Nancy Ray** and that he be allowed five per cent commission, and that they report to the next Term of this Court

It is ordered by the Court that **Robt. B. Watt** Excr. of **Elizabeth Lappin** be allowed five per cent in his settlement on both sides of his account –

State }
V }

David Marshall }
Sallie Yates }

The Defendant **David Marshall** called and failed to appear –
Judgment Ni si is granted accordingly –
Ordered that Sci Fa Issue –

State }
V }

William Dawson }

The Defendant **William Dawson & William M. Thomas** acknowledge themselves each indebted to the State of North Carolina in the sum of one hundred dollars to be levied of their goods & Chattels, lands and tenements, to be void on condition the said **William Dawson** makes his personal appearance at the next term of this Court to answer a charge the State against him and does not depart the same without leave –

State }
V }

B. Y. Pritchett }

No. 4

Defendant pleads not Guilty –

When comes the following Jury to wit –

B. F. Witty, Elijah Thompson, Robert P. Richardson, B. Y. Cummings, Thomas W. Field, Abram Baker, Wm. McCollum, Phillip Pratt, Hugh Willis, Wm. Hutson, E. P. Barnes & Thomas W. Pearson who being duly sworn and empanelled for the Verdict say they find the Defendant not Guilty –

State }
V }

Wm. F. Webster & }
Goode }

Defendant **W. F. Webster** Submits

It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **Wm. F. Webster** be fined one dollar, & cost, to be taxed by the Clerk –

State }
V }

Isham Miller }

Defendant Submits –

It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **Isham Miller** be fined five cents & cost, to be taxed by the Clerk –

State }
V }

B. F. Webster & }
B. R. Webster }

Defendants Submits –

It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **B. F. Webster** be fined the sum of \$20.00 and half the cost to be Taxed by the Clerk and that the Defendant **B. F. Webster** be fined the sum of \$10.00 and the other half the cost to be Taxed by the Clerk –

State }
V }

B. Y. Pritchett }

No. 3

Defendant Submits –

It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **B. Y. Pritchett** be fined five cents & cost to be Taxed by the Clerk –

State }
 V }
T. S. Southern} No. 9
 Defendant pleads not Guilty –
 When come the same Jury as in No. 4 who being duly Sworn and
 empanelled for their Verdict say the find the Defendant not Guilty –

State }
 V }
W. J. Webster} No. 10
 Deft. Pleads not Guilty –
 When come the same Jury as in No. 4
 Who being duly Sworn & empanelled for their Verdict say they find the
 Defendant Guilty in manner & form as charged in the Bill of indictment –
 It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **W. J. Webster** be
 fined the sum of five cents & cost, to be taxed by the Clerk, & ordered in
 Custody of the Sheriff, until fine & cost are paid.

State }
 V }
William Long & } No. 12
W. J. Webster} Defendant **Long** Submits – Fines five cents
 Defendant **W. J. Webster** Pleads not Guilty –
 When comes the same Jury as in No. 4 – Who being sworn & empanelled
 for their Verdict say they find the Defendant **W. J. Webster** not Guilty –

State }
 V }
B. F. Webster} No. 13
 Defendant pleads not guilty –
 When comes the same Jury as in No. 4 – Who being duly Sworn and
 empanelled for their Verdict say they find the Defendant guilty in Manner
 and Form as charged in the Bill of Indictment –
 It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **B. F. Webster** be
 fined the sum of \$10.00 & cost to be taxed by the Clerk –

State }
 V }
George Woodson} No. 14
 Defendant pleads not guilty.
 When comes the following Jury to wit –
Hervey Moore, Granville Price, Charles Joiner, Sidney Witty, John G.
Roberts, Elijah Cobler, Spencer Kallam, Robt. T. Williams, Jonathan
Suits, John B. Delancy, A. H. Webb & Coleman Brann, Who being
 duly sworn and empanelled for their Verdict say they find the Defendant
 Guilty in Manner & form as charged in the Bill of Indictment
 It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant be fined 5 cts &
 costs –

State }
 V }
B. F. Webster} No. 16
 Defendant pleads not guilty.
 When comes the same Jury as in No 4 –
 Who being sworn & empanelled for their Verdict say they find the
 Defendant guilty in Manner and form as charged in the Bill of Indictment.
 It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **B. F. Webster** be
 fined the Sum of \$1.00 & cost, to be taxed by the Clerk –

State } Continued by the State for **John Vernon** –
 V } Security surrender Deft. **Newnam** and he stands as his own recognizance
Hiram Newnam} of \$100. until tomorrow (Wednesday of this term)
Louiza Osborne} **Louiza Osborne** recognized in the sum of \$50.00, for her appearance at
 the next term of this Court –

State } No. 14
 V } Judgment Confessed added by **Thos. D. Price & John A. Covington** for
George Woodson} the sum of \$20. to be discharged on payment of this fine and cost in this
 case –

State }
 V } Defendants pleads not Guilty –
William Carter & } When comes the following Jury to wit
E. Sams } **B.F.Witty, Elijah Thompson, B.Y.Cummings, Abram Baker, Wm.**
McCollum, Phillip Pratt, Hugh Willis, Wm. Hudson E.P.Barnes,
Thomas W. Pearson, Hervey Moore, Granville Price Who being Sworn
 & empanelled for their Verdict say they find the Defendants not guilty –

State } Bastardy, **Mary J. McCrory** Prosecutor
 Vs } Deft. Submits –
Thos. D. Neal } It is ordered & adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **T.D. Neal** Pay to
 the Prosecutor **Mary J. McCrory** the sum of Sixty dollars, that is to say,
 \$25.00 at this term of the Court and \$20.00 at February Term 1857 and
 \$15.00 at February Term 1858 and that he enter into bond with security
 according to Law –

State }
 Vs } Deft. Submits –
James O. Southern } It is adjudged by the Court that the Defendant **James O. Southern** by
 fined the sum of one dollar & cost – and that he be in custody of the
 Sheriff untill the fine & cost are paid –

State }
 Vs } **James O. Southern** the Deft. And **William F. Southern** confessed
James O. Southern } Judgment for the sum of \$25.00 to be discharged on payment of the fine &
 cost in this case –

Ordered by the Court that **Elijah Cobler** be imprisoned until the further order of the Court, for
 Contempt of the Court by appearing before the Court drunk & swearing –

A Majority of Justices Present to wit

Thomas Settle, Thos. W. Keen, Joseph Holderby, David J. Rawly, William Scott, J. W. S. Lowe, James A. Vernon, Winston Kallam, R. H. Gladson, Geo. W. Garrett, A. G. Walker, Thomas Payne, R. B. Henderson, Allen P. Smith, Francis B. Moore, John Stacy, John G. Robertson, Jones W. Burton, Albert Lomax, William Carter, Thomas J. Robertson, Wm. D. Bethell, Nathl. H. Dodd, Allen Price, Ro. Walker Junr. A. M. Whitsett, F. L. Simpson, Thos. Roach, Ro. Walker Senr., Geo. L. Aikin, Tyre Carter –

The Court then proceeded to lay the tax on the list of 1855 to wit –

For County purposes on each Poll	.39 cts	on each \$300. Value of real Estate	.43 cts
“ Poor “ “ “ “	.24 “	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	.24
“ School: “ “ “ “	.17 “	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	.17
“ Public Buildings –	.30 “	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	.30
	\$1.10		\$1.14
State Tax on each Poll –	.40	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	.36
	\$1.50		\$1.50

Making in the whole \$1.50 on each poll & \$1.50 on each \$300. Valuation of real Estate –

The following persons ever duly Elected Wardens of the poor – to wit

John W. Ellington, Allen Price, James Q. Montgomery, Pendleton Ratliff, William S. Yors, Franklin Harris, Thomas Roach Sen., Hugh K. Reid, Thomas D. Price, Jesse Wharton

The Court the proceeded to Elect a County Trustee. Where **E. W. Hancock** was duly Elected who entered into bond according to law with **T. B. Wheeler, Jas. D. Ellington & John W. Ellington** as his sureties, which bond was accepted by the Court –

The following persons were appointed Superintendants of Common Schools to wit –

Wm. P. Watt. E. T. Brodnax. John M. Reynolds, John G. Robertson, James D. Ellington. Levin Miner & Nicholas Felts –

It is ordered by the Court that a new Jail be built in the Town of Wentworth and that **George D. Boyd, George L. Aikin, John G. Robertson, Thomas J. Robertson, and William M. Ellington** be appointed Commissioners for that purpose –

It is ordered by the Court that **Bedford A. Crafton** be appointed Standard Keeper and that he be allowed \$25.00 over and above the fees allowed by law –

It is ordered by the Court that **Alfred Reid, Alfred M. Whitsett, & Ro. Walker Jun.** be appointed Commissioners to build a Bridge across Troublesome Creek at the old Iron Works, and that they report according to Law –

It is unanimously resolved by the Court that **John Craddock Esq.** Be requested to resign his office as Justice of the Peace, and that he be served with a copy of this resolution –

It is ordered by the Court that **E. W. Hancock** Treasurer, of Public buildings be allowed ten dollars for repairs, and ten dollars per year for Services from August Term 1851 to February Term 1856 amounting in all to fifty five dollars

It is ordered by the Court that **James Roberts** Sheriff be allowed the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.) for Ex officio services for the year ending at this Term, & that the County Trustee pay the same –

It is ordered by the Court that **Alfred M. Scales**, County Sol., be allowed the sum of fifty dollars for his Ex officio services for the year ending at this Term & that the County Trustee pay the same –

Ordered by the Court that the County Trustee pay to the committee of Finance two dollars per day for services rendered, that is to say –

George L. Aikin	8 days at \$2.00 pr day	\$16.00
Jones W. Burton	6 “ “ \$2.00 “ “	\$12.00
Albert Lomax	4 “ “ \$2.00 “ “	8.00

It is ordered by the Court that the County Trustee pay to **Thomas J. Robertson** the additional sum of \$75.00, for building the Bridge across Dan River at Eagle Falls it being the balance of the amt. for which he contracted, at the sum of forty dollars for additional repairs on the same – ,

It appearing to the Court that the Bridge across Haw River at Cunningham Mill, has been built according to contract and ready by the Commissioners, It is therefore ordered by the Court that the County Trustee pay to the contractor **James M. Haynes** the sum of \$118.75 for building the same –

It is ordered by the Court that the Wardens of the Poor pay to **Mrs. Mary Wilson** the sum of \$80.00 for the support of **Peter Johnsons** children for two years past –

Ordered by the Court that the double Tax on **John M. Morehead** taxable black Polls be remitted for the year 1855 and that the Sheriff, collect and return said poll tax and supernumerary –

Ordered by the Court that **Geo. D. Boyd** have leave to list his Taxables on the tax list of 1855 –

Ordered that **Paschal Ragsdales** double tax be remitted for the year 1854 –

Orderd that **Booker T. Lillards** double Tax be remitted for the year 1854 & that the Sheriff collect the same as supernumerary –

Ordered that **Allen P. Smith** have until the next Court to make his Guardian returns –

It is ordered by the Court that **Stephen Morphis** be allowed the sum of \$17. per month from the 6th of November 1855 until the 1st of January 1856 amounting to \$30.60 as one of the Guard at the Jail, & that the County Trustee pay the same –

Ordered by the Court that **David Burress** be allowed \$17 pr. month from the 30th of October 1855 to the 26th day of February 1856. 3 months & 27 days amounting to the sum of \$66.30 as one of the guard at the Jail - & that the County Trustee pay the same –

Ordered by the Court that **I. B. Whittemore** be allowed \$17. pr month from the 30th of October 1855 to the 26th of February 1856 – 3 mo & 27 days amounting to \$66.30 as one of the Guard at the Jail, & that the County Trustee pay the same –

Ordered by the Court that **John Walker** Guardian of the heirs of **Alexr. Walker** decd have until the next Term of this Court to renew his Guardian Bonds.

Seven Justices on the Bench –

It is ordered by the Court that **I. B. Whittemore** have a License to retail Spiritous Liquors in the Town of Wentworth for the ensuing 12 months.

It is ordered by the Court that **Levi Phelps** have a License to Peddle in the County of Rockingham for the ensuing twelve months –

Ordered by the Court that **Dr. H. H. Staples** be allowed the sum of \$20. for Post Mortem Examination of the Slave the property of **John C. Knight**, and that the County Trustee pay the same –

Ordered by the Court that **Robt. P. Richardson** have leave to withdraw his papers in the of himself against Sanford M. Kernodle –

It appearing to the Court that **James A. Jones** has been duly Elected Constable in **Capt. P. S. Ayers'** District (Madison) who entered into Bond in the sum of \$4,000.00 with **Ulyses Hand & Henry Humphreys** as his securities & qualified by taking the Oath of Office –

It appearing to the Court that **J. M. Grogan** has been duly Elected Constable in the Grogansville District who entered into Bond according to Law. with **Thomas D. Price & John Roberts** as his securities, and qualified by taking the Oath of Office –

It appearing to the Court that **Cornelius Cook** has been duly Elected Constable in **Capt. John Yorks** District, who entered into Bond according to law, with **William Carter, Bryant Knott & Ulyses Hand** as securities, & qualified by taking the Oath of Office –

It appearing to the Court that **James T. McKillip** has been Elected Constable in **Capt. Daniel T. Dean's** District, who entered into Bond according to Law, with **Ebenezer Perry, Henry C. Fuller & James T. Simpson** as his securities, and qualified by taking the Oath of Office –

Ordered by the Court that the register **L. P. Wright** be allowed the sum of five dollars for registering Official Bonds and the purchase of one record Book, and that the County Trustee pay the same –

Young & Jones}

Vs }

Jas. R. Apple }

No. 7

When Comes the following Jury to wit –

B.F. Witty, Elijah Thompson, B.Y. Cummings, Thomas W. Field, Abram Baker, Wm. McCollum, Phillip Pratt, Hugh Willis, Wm. Hutson, E. P. Barnes, Thomas W. Pearson, & Hervey Moore. Who being duly Sworn and empanelled say they find the Issues in favor of the Plaintiff, the principal of the bond declared on is \$332.20 and assess the plaintiff damages by way of Interest to \$20.54.

Judgment of the Court accordingly –

E. M. Woodburn}

Vs }

Thomas Carroll}

No. 10

When comes the same Jury as in No. 7 Who being sworn and empanelled for their Verdict say they find the balance of the principal money after allowing the endorsed payment to be \$123.00, that there is no further payment or set off, and assess the plaintiff damage for interest to \$9.93 – Judgment accordingly –

Wm. P. Delancy}

Vs }

John B. Delancy}

No. 12

When comes the same Jury as in No. 7 –

Who being duly sworn and empanelled for their Verdict say they find the balance of the principal of the Bond declared on to be \$224.26, and assess the plaintiff damage for Interest to \$24.28 –

Judgment accordingly –

Baily & Molloy }

Vs }

J.G.S.Weatherford}

No. 16

When comes the same Jury as in No. 7 –

Who being Sworn and empanelled for their Verdict say they find the balance of the principal of the Bond declared on, after allowing the endorsed payment to be \$636.22, that there is no further payment or set off, and assess the plaintiff damage for Interest to \$19.08 –

Judgment accordingly –

John Lynn }

Vs }

J.G.S.Weatherford}

No. 17 –

When comes the same Jury as in No. 7 –

Who being Sworn and empanelled for their Verdict say they find the balance of the principal of the bond declared on, after allowing the endorsed payment to be \$725.01 that there is no further payment or set off, and assess the plaintiff damage for interest to \$21.75.

Judgment accordingly –

W.J.M. Thomas & C.}

Vs } No. 18

John Carroll } When comes the same Jury as in No. 7
Who being Sworn and empanelled, for their Verdict say they find all issues in favor of the plaintiff, that the principal of the bond declared on is \$184.57, and assess the plaintiff damage for interest to \$3.54 – Judgment accordingly –

G. P. Baily & C.}

Vs } No. 19

John Carroll } When comes the same Jury as in No. 7 –
Who being Sworn and empanelled for their Verdict say they find all the issues in favor of the plaintiff, that the principal of the bond declared on is \$109.70 and assess the plaintiff damage for interest to \$2.10 , Judgment accordingly –

John H. Woodgate}

Vs. } No. 20 –

J. R. Apple } When comes the same Jury as in No. 7 –
Who being sworn and empanelled for their Verdict say they find all the issues in favor of the Plaintiff, that the principal of the bond declared on is \$576.25 and assess the plaintiff damage for interest of \$36.88 – Judgment accordingly –

D.J. & Darias Rawly}

Vs } No. 21 –

E.P. Palmer } When comes the same Jury as in No. 7 –
Who being Sworn and empanelled, for their Verdict say they find the balance of the principal of the bond declared on after allowing the endorsed payments to be \$588.03 that there is no further payment or set off, and assess the Plaintiff damage for interest to \$46.55 – Judgment accordingly –

Robertson Sanders}

Vs } No. 22 –

David W. Stubblefield} } When comes the same Jury as in No. 7 –
& others } Who after being sworn and empanelled, for their Verdict say they find all issues in favor of the plaintiff, that the principal of the bond declared on is \$306.11, and assess the plaintiff damage for interest to \$14.90. Judgment accordingly –

S. A. Rice }
 Vs }
J. N. Thompson }

No. 23.

It appearing to the Satisfaction of the Court that the order of Publication has been complied with, It is ordered by the Court that the Plaintiff, have Judgment by default and Writ of inquiry, Whereupon the same Jury as in No. 7. Who being sworn and empannelled for their Verdict say upon inquiry, they assess the plaintiff damages to \$164.54.

Whereupon it is considered by the Court that the proceed of the property heretofore sold be applied to the satisfaction of the Plaintiff damage and cost –

John D. Watkins }
 Vs }
Wm. F. Hall }

No. 14

Deft. Pleads General Issue

When comes the Same Jury as in No. 7 –

Who being sworn and empannelled for their Verdict say they find all the issues in favor of the plaintiff, and assess his damage to \$18.00
 Judgment of the Court accordingly –

Wm. P. Delancey }
 Vs }
John B. Delancey }

No. 13

Alexander F. Delancey a witness for the Plaintiff Called and failed to appear.

Judgment Ni si for \$40.00

John Webster & Wife }
 & others }
 Ex Parte }

Petition to sell Slaves –

It is ordered by the Court that **John H. Jamerson** proceed to collect the money due him as Commissioner, and distribute the Same among the Children of **John Joyce**. It is further ordered that said commissioner be allowed the sum of \$195.00 for his services
 (it being 4 pr. Cent on the amount of sales)

John P. Grogan }
& others } Petition for a public road
Ex Parte } In this case is appearing to the Court, that Advertisement has been made at
the Court House door according to Law, It is ordered by the Court that the Sheriff summon a
Jury of freeholders, to view the premises, and on Oath, to lay out a Public road from the Virginia
line near **Nicholas Cobler**, to intersect the Leaksville road near **E. P. Barnes'** to the greatest
advantage to the inhabitants and with as little prejudice as may be to lands and inclosures, and to
assess such damages as private persons may sustain, and that they report their proceedings, to the
next term of this Court.

Mary Ann Currie }
Vs } Petition to Divide Slaves –
Joseph Holderby adm. }
Of **James Currie** decd } Report files and confirmed and ordered to be enrolled and
& others } Registered. and that the Administrator pay cost.
State of North Carolina }
Rockingham County }
To the Worshipful the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
February Term 1856 –

We the undersigned, freeholders, appointed by the Court of Pleas &
Quarter Sessions of said County, having been duly Sworn, proceeded to
Value the Negro Slaves of **James Currie** deceased, and allot and assign to
Mary Ann Currie, one third part in Value of Said Slaves, Make the
following report to wit.

Jim	a fellow valued at	\$1000.	Massy	a woman	\$25.
Jackson	“ “ “ “	1062.	Betty	“ “	\$25
John	“ “ “ “	1100.	Louiza	a girl	600.
Rufus	“ “ “ “	1110.	Mary	“ “	525.
Joe	“ “ “ “	800.	Jesse	a boy	500.
Charlotte & her child Abram		- 700.	Julius	a boy	375.
Harriet & her child Lucius		- 1050	Whole value - \$9672.		

We find the aggregate of the fifteen Slaves named above to be
Nine thousand six hundred and seventy two dollars, the one third part of
which sum we find to be, Three thousand two hundred and twenty four
dollars.

We have allotted to the Petitioner **Mary Ann Currie** the following

Slaves to wit -	Charlotte & her child Abram\$700.
	Jim 1000.
	Betty 825
	Joe 800
		\$3325.
	Her third part deducted	<u>3224</u>
	Amt. Due from Mrs. Currie	\$101.

All of which is Respectfully submitted, Given from under our hands and
seals this 5th day of December 1855 -
Geo D Boyd {seal}
Saml F. Adams {seal}
Hugh K. Reid {seal}
Alfred Reid {seal}

Mary Smith } Petition for years allowance
 Ex Parte } Report filed and Confirmed and ordered to be enrolled Ordered that the
 Adms. Pay cost,
 To the Worshipful, the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter
 Session for Rockingham County –
 We **John P. Grogan** a Justice of the Peace & **Thomas Roberts, J.**
M. Grogan & Eppy Rhodes freeholders, appointed to View the Estate of
Daniel Smith deceased and allot to **Mary** his Widow a years allowance
 for herself and family, beg leave to report, that we have discharged the
 duty assigned to us, according to law, and hereunto subjoin the Items of
 allowance.
 Four of the best hogs for meat
 8 barrels of Corn
 8 bushels of Wheat
 1 Milk Cow –
 Five dollars in Money to buy sugar & coffee All of which is
 respectfully reported, as witness our hands and seals
Jno.P.Grogan {seal}
Eppy Rhodes {seal}
Thos. Roberts {seal}
J.M. Grogan {seal}

Spencer Kallam }
 & others } Petition to sell Slaves –
 Ex Parte } Report filed & Confirmed & ordered to be Enrolled
 Ordered that the Adm. pay cost.-
 An Inventory of the Sale of the Negro Slaves belonging to the Estate of
William Kallam deceased, sold by **Spencer Kallam & Winston Kallam**
 Commissioners Sold the 26th December 1855 –

Horatio Kallam	To Lucy & two children	\$1020.
Horatio Kallam	To Lady	150.
Anderson Rakestraw	To Paty & two children	1230.
John Smith	To Settle Fanny	470.
James W. Davis	To Molly	715.
Alfred Shelton	To Dick	700.
Winston Kallam	To Phillip	915.
Jackson Scales	To Jane	800.
James H. Carter	To Ann	735.
Spencer Kallam	To Peter	930.
Winston Kallam	To Clay	1015.
Peter Penn	To little Dick	900.
Aaron Mills	To Jas & Lillie	500.
		\$10,380
Horation Kallam for keeping old Fanny		180.
at the lowest Bidder		\$10,200.

Spencer Kallam
Winston Kallam

Sallie Sadler } Petition for years allowance –
 Ex Parte } Report filed and Confirmed & ordered to be enrolled & that the
 Administrator pay the cost –
 State of North Carolina }
 Rockingham County }

To the Worshipful the Justices of the Court of Pleas and
 Quarter Session February Term 1856,

We **Alvis Daniel** Justice of the Peace of said County **James DeJarnette Snr**, **Jesse T. Robertson**, **James P. DeJarnette** freeholders in obedience to the annexed order, proceeded on the 25th day of January, to View the Estate of **Benjamin Saddler** decd and out of the Stock Corp and provisions on hand, we have laid off and allotted, **Sally Sadler** Widow, as follows, that is to say – the Stock of Meat on hand supposed to be about 300 #s, the Stock of Corn thought to be six barrels, the Stock of Wheat about five bushels, three stacks of Oats, one stack of blades, the Shucks and Straw remaining on the farm, a small lot of cotton, some dried fruit, one bee stand – part sack salt, Two cows, and there being not sufficient of the Stock Crop and provisions on hand to make a comfortable provision for the said Widow and her family for a year, We assess the deficiency to the sum of one hundred and ten dollars, to be paid to the Said Widow by the Administrator of the Said **Benjamin Sadler** decd, and we have further laid off and allotted to the Said **Sallie Sadler**, One Bed & its Necessary furniture and one Wheel and one pair Cards, as her absolute property and put her in possession of the same, Given under our hands and Seals this the 24th day of January 1856

Alvis Daniel J.P. {seal}
Jas. P. DeJarnette {seal}
Jesse T. Robertson {seal}
James DeJarnette {seal}

Wm.D. Bethel adm.}

of **Benj. Sadler** decd } Petition to sell Slaves –

Ex Parte } Report filed and Confirmed & ordered to be enrolled to wit –
 State of North Carolina – Rockingham County –

In Obedience to an order of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Session, made at the November Term 1855 of said Court, appointing the undersigned Commissioners to sell the Negro Slaves belonging to the Estate of **Benjamin Sadler** decd., we proceeded, on the 22nd day of December 1855, to sell Negro Girl **Ann**, when **Dr. George S. DeJarnette** became the purchaser, at the price of Nine hundred & twenty five dollars (\$925), for which sum he executed a bond to me as Commissioner aforesaid with **John Prewitt** security, due six months after date –

And on the 5th day of February 1856, after giving 20 days notice, I proceeded to sell two other Negros, namely, **Eliza & Lucy**, when **Sarah Sadler** became the purchaser of **Eliza** at the price of Eight hundred & one dollars (\$801) for which sum she Executed her bond to her

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Commisioner aforesaid, Six months after date with **John Prewitt** and **William Sadler** Securities, and at the same time and place the said **Sarah Sadler** became the purchaser of **Lucy** at the price of Sixty seven dollars, and Executed her bond for the same, Six months after date, with **William Sadler** security –
February Term 1856

W. D. Bethell

It is further ordered by the Court that the Administrator pay the cost of this Petition, and that he collect and distribute, and that he be allowed the sum of \$89.65 as commissions –

Polley Barker }
Ex Parte ;

Petition for years allowance –
Report filed and Confirmed and ordered to be enrolled, and that the Administrator pay cost –
State of North Carolina, Rockingham County –
To the Worshipful, Justices, Court of Pleas and Quarter Session
November Term 1855

In Obedience to an order issued from said Court We **Nathl. H. Dodd**, Justice of the Peace, **Hardin Carter**, **George W. Lemonds** freeholders, proceeded to lay off and allot to the Petitioner **Polly Barker**, the Wife & Eslist of **John Barker** decd the years allowance for her and family – this is to say, the following articles –
One Bed & furniture, one wheel & cards, one Cow & Calf, Nineteen barrels of corn, twenty five bushels of wheat, one house of shucks, two bushels of salt, two pounds of pepper and two pounds of allspice, Eight Pork Hogs, Fifty pounds of sugar and fifty pounds of coffee –
Respectfully submitted, under our hands and seals

Nathl. H. Dodd {seal}
Hardin Carter {seal}
G. W. Lemonds {seal}

Robt.M.Napier }
& others }
Ex Parte }

Petition to Divide Slaves –
Report filed & confirmed & ordered to be enrolled & registered and that The Adm. Pay cost. –
State of North Carolina, Rockingham County –
In pursuance to an order made at November Term 1855, appointing us the undersigned as commissioners to divide the following Slaves to wit – **Martha**, **Agnes**, **James**, **little Lydia**, **Phillis**, & **little Eliza** – between the following Legatees, **Robert M. Napier**, **Elizabeth C. Napier**, **John Napier** and **Mary E. Wall** after being duly Sworn according to Law, proceeded to allot to **Robt. M. Napier**, **little Eliza** Valued at (\$600) six hundred dollars to **John Napier**, **Agnes** Valued at (\$425) four hundred & twenty five dollars & **Little Lydia** Valued at three hundred & fifty dollars (\$350.) Making seven hundred & seventy five dollars (\$775.), to **Elizabeth C. Napier**, **Martha**, Valued at seven hundred dollars (\$700.) to **Mary E. Wall**, **James** four hundred & twenty five dollars (\$425.) and **Phillis** one hundred & seventy five dollars

(\$175) making six hundred dollars (\$600.) Each Legatee Estable part of the whole amount, being Six hundred & sixty-eight dollars & 75 cents therefore **John Napier** pays to **Robt. M. Napier**, Sixty eight dollars & 75 cents, **John Napier** also pays to **Mary E. Wall**, thirty seven dollars & 50 cents, **Elizabeth C. Napier** pays to **Mary E. Wall** thirty one dollars & 25 cents, All of which is respectfully submitted, as Witness our hands and seals 5th February A.D.1856 –

J.W. Ellington {seal}
Saml. F. Adams {seal}
Jas. D. Ellington {seal}

Wm Moore & others }
by their Guardian }
V } Petition for Settlement and distribution –
Robt. Walker Junr. & } Report of the Commissioners appointed to Value the lands, filed
W. D. Moore } and Confirmed, and ordered to be enrolled –
State of North Carolina, Rockingham County.

To the Worshipful the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County –

We the undersigned commissioners, appointed to Value the land of **Samuel Moore** decd. as Willed to his sons, have performed that duty, and do make the following report To wit –

To **Wilson D. Moore** one Tract supposed to contain one hundred and eighteen acres Valued at \$1000.00
To **William Moore** the Old Tract – supposed to contain one hundred & forty eight acres \$450.00
To **David Moore**, the Adkerson Tract supposed to Contain one hundred & thirty two acres, and one Tract of two acres, (Called the Dublin Tract) \$200.00

All of which is respectfully submitted, Given under our hands, this 23rd February 1856

Geo. D. Boyd {seal}
Alfred M. Whitsett {seal}
Alfred Reid {seal}

M.J.T.Black }
V } Writ Debt
J.H. Powers } Judgment by Default, according to Specialty filed for the sum of One hundred and four dollars & forty six cents, with Interest from the 2nd day of January 1855 and Cost –

Thomas Joyce }
V } Writ Debt –
A.J. Lanier } Judgment by Default, according to Specialty filed for the sum of \$294.04 with interest from the 23rd of December 1855 until paid - & cost –

M.J.T.Black }	
V }	Ca. Sa.
Wm. F. Hall }	Proceedings dismissed for irregularity, at plaintiff cost. Leave granted Plaintiff to withdraw his papers –
James Tucker }	No. 29
V }	Justices Execution, levied on land & C.
Edward S. Baily }	It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that due notice had been levied upon the Defendant, and that all of the papers have been filed, Judgment is therefore on Motion rendered in favor of the plaintiff, against the Defendant for the amount of the Justices Judgment to wit – The sum of \$8.45, with interest from the 23 rd February 1856 and all cost incurred in the proceedings below, as well as the cost incurred in this Court; On Motion it is ordered by the Court that the Land & C. levied upon by the Constable be condemned to satisfy this Judgment and that a Writ of Venditioni Exposeas Issue accordingly –
Josiah F. Taylor }	No. 30
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E. S. Baily }	Judgment as is No. 29 for the sum of \$31.00 with interest from the
D.M. Molloy }	30 th March 1855 & cost –
Sidney Oliver }	No. 31
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$4.00 with interest from the 23 rd of February 1856. & Cost –
T.D. Neal }	No. 32
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E. S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$20.20 with interest from the 1 st of November 1855 7 cost –
Daniel T. Deans }	No. 33
V }	Justices Execution Levied on Land & C. –
E.S. Baily }	Judgment & order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$4.53 ½ with interest from the 31 st . January 1856, and cost –
H. Perry }	
V }	No. 34
E.S. Baily }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
C. Cook & }	Judgment & order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$12.90 with interest
S. Lemonds }	from 12 th February 1856 - & cost –
Orrey B. Stone }	No. 35 –
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E. S. Baily }	Judgment & order of Sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$8.65 with interest From 1 st April 1855 & cost –

T.D. Neal }	No. 36
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E. S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$6.50 with interest From 24 th Nov. 1851 & cost
Joel A. Gentry }	No. 37
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$5.00 with interest From 12 th Feby 1856. & cost.
H. Humphreys }	No. 38
V }	Justices Execution levied of land & C.
E.S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$11.00 with interest from 12 th Feby 1856, & cost.
Uriah Dean }	No. 39 –
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$12.50 with interest from 28 th August 1855 - & cost
G. N. Harris }	No. 40
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$40.20 with interest from 12 th February 1856 & cost –
Joel A. Gentry }	No. 41
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$11.25 with Interest from the 9 th June 1853, & cost
Isaac Bason }	No. 42 – Justices Execution levied on land & C.
V }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$5.54 with interest from 11 th February 1855, & cost –
Geo. W. Preton }	No. 43 –
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$10.00 with interest from the 12 Feby 1856 & cost –
Jas. Bason }	No. 44 –
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily }	Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$7.82 with interest from 29 th January 1855 –
James Bason }	No. 45
V }	Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily & }	Judgment & order of sale as in No. 29 for the sum of \$10.00 with interest from the 12 th March 1855, & cost –
D.M. Molloy }	

- Isaac Bason** } No. 46
 V } Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily } Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29, for the sum of \$2.00 with interest from 12th February 1856, & cost –
- Josiah F. Taylor** } No. 47 –
 V } Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily } Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29, for the sum of \$1.25 with interest from the 12th February 1856, & cost –
- S.H. Pearse** } No. 48 –
 V } Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily } Judgment & order of sale as in No. 29, for the sum of \$1.50 with interest From the 12 February 1856, & cost –
- O.B. Stone** } No. 49 –
 V } Justices Execution levied on land & C.
E.S. Baily } Judgment and order of sale as in No. 29, for the sum of \$19.54 with interest from the 23rd February 1856, & cost –
- Emily Warren** }
 Ex Parte } Petition for years allowance –
 On Motion **George D. Boyd**, a Justice of the Peace, & **Pinckney Wharton, Wilson D. Moore & Hugh L. Patrick**, freeholders, are appointed Commissioners to view the Estate of **William Warren** decd. and to lay off and allot to Emily Warren, out of the crop, Stock and provision on hand, a sufficiency for the support of herself and family for one year, and if not a sufficiency on hand, then to layoff and assess the Value of the deficiency in money, and report their proceedings to the next term of this Court, under their hands and seals –
- Charlotte Williams** }
 Ex Parte } Petition for years allowance –
 On Motion **Albert Lomax** a Justice of the Peace & **Ulyses Hand, Edward Goolsby & John C. Knight** freeholders, are appointed commissioners to view the Estate of **William W. Williams** decd. and to allot and set apart to his Widow **Charlotte Williams**, so much of the stock Crop and provisions on hand as may be adequate to the support of herself and family for one year, and if there shall not be a sufficiency on hand to afford such allowance, then to assess the deficiency in money and that they report to the next term of this Court, under their hands and their hands and seals –

Wm.M. Sadler & others}

Ex Parte }

Petition for Partition of land –

On Motion it is ordered by the Court that **Hutchins Ferrell, Dr. James P. DeJarnette, Nathaniel McKinny, Alvis Daniel and Sam. Chandler**, be appointed commissioners to divide the land described in the Petition, into three equal shares, and to allot to each of the Petitioners, **Tandy Dix & wife Martha, William M. Sadler & Josiah Dickens** and wife **Mary**, one equal share thereof, and is an equitable division cannot otherwise be effected, then in that case they are to charge the more valuable dividend or dividends with such sum as they shall Judge necessary to be paid to the dividend or dividends of inferior value in order to make the division equal. A Majority of said commissioners to have power to act, Said Commissioners, before they proceed to the execution of this order, are to be duly sworn by the Sheriff or some Justice of the Peace of Rockingham County, and they are to report their proceedings under their hands and seals to the next term of this Court. The Clerk of the Court is to deliver a copy of this order, to the Sheriff of said County to the end that he may summon said Commissioners to appear on the premises for the purpose above mentioned –

Elizabeth Hay}

Ex Parte }

Petition for years allowance –

On Motion **Winston Kallam** a Justice of the Peace, **Richard Martin, John W. Martin and David Kallam** freeholders appointed Commissioners to View the Estate of **P.T. Hay** deceased, and to allot and set apart to his Widow **Elizabeth Hay**, so much of the Crop, stock and provisions on hand belonging thereto, as may be adequate to the support of herself and family for one year, and if there shall not be a sufficiency on hand, to afford such an allowance then to assess the deficiency in money, said commissioners are to report to the next term of this Court, under their hands and seals –

Sarena Grogan}

Ex Parte |

Petition for years allowance –

On Motion **Orson Martin** a Justice of the Peace & **Allen T. Hopper, John M. Reynolds & Thomas Jones** freeholders are appointed commissioners to View the Estate of **Robert Grogan** deceased, and out of the Stock crop and provisions on hand to lay off and assign to **Serena Grogan** a comfortable years support for herself and family, if sufficient on hand, and if not, to assess the value of the deficiency in money and ordered that they report, under their hands and seals to the next term of this Court –

George W. Brown &}

Margaret his Wife}

V } Petition for re-probate of Will –

Peter Joyner & others} In this case it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that **Charles L. Joyner, Peter Joyner**, and the children and heirs at law of **James H. Joyner**, are not inhabitants of this State, It is therefore ordered by the Court that Publication for six weeks be made in the Rockingham Democrat for said defendants to appear, at the next term of this Court, and plead, answer or demur, otherwise said Petition will be set down for hearing, and heard ex parte as to thence –
Ordered further that a copy and Subpoena issue to each of the other Defendants –

Sallie Soloman & others}

Ex Parte } Petition for Partition of Land.

On Motion it is ordered by the Court that **Hugh Willis, Pleasant Price, Charles Gates, Franklin Harris & William Y. Thomas** be appointed Commissioners to divide the Lands described in the petition, into eight equal Shares and to allot each of the Petitioners, **Sallie Solomon**, Wife of **Andrew Solomon, Jackson Barker, Washington Barker, James Barker, Adaline Barker, Susan Barker, William Barker, George Barker** one equal share thereof, and if an equitable division Cannot be otherwise effected, there and in that case, they are to Charge the more Valuable dividend or dividends, with such sums as they shall Judge necessary, to be paid to the dividend or dividends of inferior Value, in order to make the division equal, A Majority of said Commissioners are to have power to act, said Commissioners before they proceed to the execution of this order are to be duly Sworn by the Sheriff or some Justice of the Peace of Rockingham County, and they are to report their proceedings under their hands and seals to the next term of this Court, The Clerk of this Court is to deliver a copy of this order to the Sheriff of said County, to the end that he may summons said commissioners to appear on the premises for the purpose above mentioned –

Nathaniel Vernon} No. 24

V } Original Attachment levied on land and Slaves –

Richard Martin} Judgment by default granted against the Defendant for the plaintiffs demand, and the property levied on condemned to the satisfaction of the plaintiff debt, unless the defendant shall appear, and replavly the property levied on, and plead at the next term –

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the Defendant has removed or absented himself form the State so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served on him --- It is therefore ordered &

the Court, that publication be made for six weeks in the Greensboro Patriot for the Defendant to appear at the next term of this Court to be held at the Court House in Wentworth on the 4th Monday of May next, and replav the property levied on, and plead answer or demur to the plaintiffs action, or Judgment final will be taken against him –

Thomas Lewellin } No. 25 –
 V } Original Attachment levied on land and Slaves –
Richard Martin Jr. } Same order as in No. 24 -

David Scott } No. 51 –
 V } Original Attachment levied on land and Slaves –
Richard Martin Jr. } Same order as in No. 24 -

Richard Martin Sr } No. 52 –
 V } Original Attachment levied on land and Slaves –
Richard Martin Jr. } Same order as in No. 24 -

Andrew Martin Sr } No. 53 –
 V } Original Attachment levied on land and Slaves –
Richard Martin Jr. } Same order as in No. 24 -

Benjamin F. Webster } No. 54 –
 V } Original Attachment levied on land and Slaves –
Richard Martin Jr. } Same order as in No. 24 -

John Chandler } No. 55 –
 V } Original Attachment levied on land and Slaves –
Richard Martin Jr. } Same order as in No. 24 -

Drury Smith } No. 56 –
 V } Original Attachment levied on land and Slaves –
Richard Martin Jr. } Same order as in No. 24 -

Administration on the Estate of **Phillip T. Hay** is granted by the Court to **R.D. Hay** who entered into Bond in the sum of Sixty thousand dollars with **Winston Kallam, Hamilton Scales, John Foy Senr., Robt. H. Scales & Elizabeth Hay** as his sureties, and qualified by taking the Oath prescribed by law –

Administration on the Estate of **William Warren** deed is granted to **Robert Walker Junr**, who Entered into bond in the sum of four thousand dollars with **H. L. Patrick & D. L. Wright** as his securities, and qualified, by taking the Oath prescribed by law –

Administration on the Estate of **William W. Williams** is granted to **Alexr. M. Searcy** who entered into bond in the sum of two thousand dollars with **H. H. Staples and Sam. Moore** as his sureties and qualified by taking the Oath prescribed by law –

Administration on the Estate of **Robert Grogan** is granted to **Jones W. Burton**, who entered into bond in the sum of two thousand dollars, with **Geo. L. Aikin & Saml. Smith** as his sureties, and qualified by taking the Oath prescribed by law –

Allen P. Smith is appointed Administrator **Dr. Boris (?non?)**, on the Estate of **Doctr. James H. May** decd, who entered into bond in the sum of two thousand dollars with **John Foy Sr. Dr. W. R. Smith & Walter B. Johnson** as his sureties, and qualified by taking the Oath prescribed by law.,

John H. Jamerson is appointed Guardian of **Elizabeth, William, James & David Joyce**, who entered into Bond in the sum of \$3239.00 with **Richard Martin Sr. and Joseph Martin** as his securities –

John Roberts is appointed Guardian of **Henry Hefferfinger**, who entered into bonds in the sum of \$500.00 with **James Roberts** and **B. S. Roberts** as his securities –

George Chrisman is appointed Guardian of **Elizabeth Huffines & Mary A. Huffines** who entered into bond in the sum of \$1000.00 with **W. G. Webb & David L. Wright** as his securities –

Miles D. King is appointed Guardian of **Magdaline Moore**, who entered into bond in the sum of \$600.00 with **Robt. T. Williams & R.N. Lowe** his securities –

John Strong is appointed Guardian of **Richard E. Sterling Harris**, who entered into bonds in the sum of \$2600.00, with **Jones W. Burton & Thomas D. Price** as his securities –

Joseph Allen renewed his bond as Guardian of **Robert, Elizabeth, & Nancy Thacker** who entered into bond in the sum of \$6000.00 with **T.B. Wheeler & Thornton Lynn** as his securities –

Wm. B. Carter renewed his bond as Guardian of his children in the sum of \$20,000.00 with **Thomas S. Galloway** as his security

R.W. Lawson renewed his bond as Guardian of **Elizabeth A. & Mary H. Lawson** in the sum of \$70,000.00 with **Wm. P. Watt, Robert H. Scales, & Robt. B. Watt** as his securities –

George W. Peay renewed his bond as Guardian of **Mary E. Jones** in the sum of \$3,000.00 with **Thomas Hamlin & George L. Aikin** as his securities –

Victor M. Holderby is appointed Guardian of the infant child of **Nancy J. Harvill** (formerly **Nancy Holderby**) who entered into bond in the sum of \$1000.00 with **Wm. C. Patterson** and **D. E. Guerrant** as his securities –

Frances Martin this day presented herself in Open Court, and moved the Court to grant her a free pass, and thereupon, by the Oath and examination of Witnesses, it appeared to the satisfaction of the Court, that said **Frances** was born in our said County of Rockingham of a free woman of colour, generally known by the name of **Mary Jumper**, and has always passed and been received as such, and to the end, to identify the said **Frances**, Where ever she may go. It appears to the Court that said **Frances** is about twenty six years of age, of a black complexion, five feet two inches in height, and has a scar from a burn on the right elbow, and a record hereof is ordered by the Court, to be made by the Clerk, and that a fair transcript of this order be made by the Clerk of this Court, under the seal of the Court, and delivered to the said **Frances Martin**, to be used and Taken as her sufficient free pass –

No. 103 - **William Lindsay** is appointed Overseer of the road from Wolf Island Creek, to Granger Old field and that he keep the same in good repair with the following hands to wit -

John Y. Stokes & hands, **William Burton** & hands, **Hervey Moores'** hands, **Jackson Lindsay**, **Talitha Lindsays** hands, and **John Gunns** hands at his plantation –

No. 16 **Washington Walker** is appointed Overseer of the road from Duggers Store to High Rock, with the following hands to wit **John Williamsons** hands, **Thomas Thompsons** hands, **Vincent Deamond**, **Thomas Walkers** hands, **Henry Sutton**, **C. J. Sartin & Thomas Sartin** -

Settlement with **David P. French** Adm. Of **George W. Wall** returned –

Settlement with **John M. Reynolds** Adm. Of **John Vernon** decd returned –

Settlement with **James A. Sharp** Exct of **James Sharp** decd returned –

Settlement of **Robert B. Watt** Exr. of **Elizabeth Lappin** decd, returned –

Settlement of **David L. Wright** Adm. Of **Harvey W. Hopkins** decd returned –

Settlement with **J. H. Powers** Adm. Of **Granville L. Powers** decd returned –

Settlement with **R.W. Lawson** Adm. Of **John J. Lawson** decd returned -

Settlement with **Ro. T. Williams & Starky Smith** Exrs of **Levin Moore** decd returned -

Settlement with **D. L. Wright** Admr. Of **Pleasant Hopkins** decd returned –

Settlement with **A. Lomax** Admr. Of **Shadrach N. Lomax** returned –

Settlement with **A. Lomax** Excr of **Susan Lomax** returned –

Settlement with **John Roberts** Exr of **John, & Alecy Parrish** decd returned –

Settlement with **James M. Haynes** Adm. Of **Peter Haynes** decd returned

- Sale list of the property of **Andrew Somers** returned by **Jacob Somers** Adm. –
 Inventory & amt. sales of the property of **Benj. Sadler** decd, Returned, by **WD. Bethell** Adm.-
 Inventory & sale list of the property of **John Barker** decd, returned by **Tyre Carter** Adm –
 Additional Sale list of the property of **Wm. Kallam** decd, returned by **Spencer & Winston Kallam** Adm.
 Inventory of the property of **Robt. Grogan** decd, returned by **Jones W. Burton** Adm –
 Inventory of the Estate of **Thomas Vernon** returned by **A. Vernon** Adm. –
Robt. W. Lawson Guardian of **Thomas T., Sarah E., M.J., Fanny, E.A. and M.H. Lawson** made his return –
George L. Aikin Guardian of **John L. Gauldin** made his return –

James D. Moore Guardian of **Adie & Rachel E Moore** made his returned –

M.A. Robertson Guardian of **Mary Ann & Eliza H. Robertson** made her return –

Ulyses Hand Guardian of **Julia Webster** made his return –

Ulyses Hand Guardian of **Richard Webster** made his return –

Albert Lomax Guard. Of **Martha Simpson** – **Fewel Witty & Shadrach Simpson** made his returns –

Thomas C. Meadors Guardian of **Richard Bartee**, made his return –

John Walker Guardian of **L.A. & C.J. Walker**, made his return –

Samuel White Guardian of **Martha Jane Winchester**, made his return –

James G. Sims Guardian of **Robert Sims** made his return –

William Carter Guardian of **S.E.F. Carter** made his return –

Joseph Young Guardian of **James A Jones**, made his return –

L.V. Marcelliott Guardian of **Hiram & Mary Marcelliott** made his return –

Joseph Allen Guardian of **Madison Thacker & others**, made his return –

George Chrisman Guardian of the heirs of **Solomon Huffine**, made his return –

David L Wright Guardian of **David L. & Sarah Hopkins** made his return –

James M. Donnell Guardian of **John W.C. Watson** made his return –

Anselom Reid Guardian of **J.W. Winchester** made his return –

Alfred M. Whitsett Guardian of **Sarah & Nancy Whitsett**, made his return –

James M. Donnell Guardian of **James Mateer**, made his return –

Rufus H. Smith Guardian of **Nathl. S. & Joshua R. Smith**, made his return

George W. Peay Guardian of **Mary E. Jones** made his return –

E.S. Morris Guardian of **E.M. & M.S. Cryer** made his return –

Sina B. Wright Guardian of **Martha J. Wright**, made her return –

Archibald Bevill Guardian of **A. W. Winchester**, made his return –

Henry J. McGeehee Guardian of **Emily & Elizabeth McGeehee** made his return

Mary W. Timberlake Guardian of **Wm. L. Lipscomb** made her return --

John Joyce Guardian of **John J. Joyce** made his return –

John W. Williams Guardian of his children, made his return –

William B. Carter Guardian of his children made his return –

Mary C. Allen Guardian of **Lucy A. Allen & others** made her return –

Geo. W. Garrett Guard. Of **Thomas Taylor** made his return –

Deeds, Powers of Attorney J.C. proven & Ordered to be Registered

A Power of Attorney from **John T. Duke** & wife to **L.B. Whittemore** being produced in Court, and the same being Executed according to law. It was ordered that the Same with the accompanying Certificate be Registered -

Charles Mills & his wife **Mary Mills** appeared in open Court & personally acknowledge the due Execution by them of a Deed for land in this County to **Samuel A. Williams**, dated 26th February 1856, and thereupon **Joseph Holderby** a member of the Court is appointed to be the private Examination of the said **Mary Mills**, and the said **Joseph Holderby** having privily examined the said **Mary Mills**, separate and apart from her husband vouching her free consent in the Execution of the said Deed of Conveyance -

Reports to the Court that the acknowledgment before him, when so examined, that she had Executed Said Deed freely of her own Will and accord, and without any form, fear or under influence of her said husband, or any other person, and did still Voluntarily assent the rule.

It is further ordered that the Deed itself, and the record of the above proceedings be Registered. -

Richard A. Ellington & **Amanda** his Wife, appear in open Court and personally acknowledge the due Execution by them of a Deed to **John W. Ellington**, bearing date the 25th February 1856, for the Conveyance of their right title and interest in and to any sum or sums of Money, in the hands of **John H. Dillard** Clerk and Master to the Court of Equity for the County and State aforesaid, arising and coming to the said **Amanda** from the sale of the lands of **Clement Whittemore** deed, to whom the said **Amanda** is one of the heirs at Law.-

And thereupon **William Scott**, a member of the Court is appointed to the the Private examination of the said **Amanda**, separate and apart from her husband, vouching her free consent in the execution of said Deed of Conveyance, reports to the Court that she acknowledged before him when so examined, that she had executed the said Deed freely of her own Will and accord, and without any force, fear or under influence of her said husband, or any other person and did still Voluntarily assent thereto, all of which on Motion is ordered to be recorded -

It is further ordered that the deed itself, and the record of the above proceedings be registered.

A Title Bond from **Samuel Moore** to **Robert L. Moore**, bearing date the 2nd day of November 1853, is produced in open Court, and duly proven by the oath of **William M. Ellington**, proving the hand writing of **Robert Walker Junr.** one of the subscribing Witnesses, and the handwriting of the other subscribing witness proven by the oath of **Robert Walker Junr.** Thereupon it is ordered that the same with this certificate be registered.

Henry Brannock to Anthony Benton	Deed
Clerk and Master to Richard N. Lowe	Deed
E.S. Baily to Martha S. Williams & others	Deed
E.P. Jones & John Stacy to Jackson Jones	Deed

DEED -	Irby Powers to A. Baker -	
DEED -	Blackwell & Lipford to Jackson Jones -	
DEED -	J. Joyce to M. L. Joyce -	
DEED -	G. W. Smith & Wife to A.G. Rakestraw -	
DEED -	R. G. Phillips to R. L. Phillips -	
DEED -	Wilson Jones to Wm. K. Cox -	
DEED -	Margaret S. Jones from the State of North Carolina -	
DEED -	John Jones Exr. To Joseph S. Blackwell -	
DEED -	Richard Johnston to George W. Carter	
DEED -	James Reid to Lewis Waynick -	
DEED -	James Evans to Elizabeth & King Roberts -	
DEED -	Jesse Orr & Wife to John Jones' heirs	
DEED -	J.B. Stockton & Wife to H.J. McGeehee -	
DEED -	Phillip Dodd to Walter R. Smith	
DEED -	Joshua Strader to James T. Simpson	
DEED -	James Wall to David I. Rawly -	
DEED -	M.S. Black to M.L. Joyce -	
DEED -	Ashol Grogan to William Hundly -	
DEED -	Sidney M. Witty to B.F. Witty -	
DEED -	Rufus S. Witty to B.F. Witty -	
DEED -	H.W. Wilson to E.P. Jones & others -	
DEED -	John W. Paxton to J.H. Humphreys -	
DEED -	John & Hezekiah Hopper to Jones W. Burton -	
DEED -	Rebecca Wilson to E.P. Jones & others -	
DEED -	Jane Lynch to Robert L. Moore -	
DEED -	H. Sawyer to James G. Rainy -	
DEED -	Horatio Kallam to William Kallam Snr -	
DEED -	George H. Holderby to Joseph Holderby -	
DEED -	Wm. A. Clark to B.F. Witty -	
DEED -	Clerk & Master to John Jones -	
DEED -	T.R. Alcorn to Charles H. Duffer	
DEED -	Clerk & Master to T.R. Alcorn -	
DEED -	James D. Ellington to R. G. Henderson	
DEED of Trust -	Daniel E. Guerrant Trustee, from Jeremiah Suits	March 3 rd 1856
Deed " Trust -	James T. Simpson Trustee from O.B. Stone	" 5 "
DEED	Robert A. Williams to Albert Lomax -	" 5 "
DEED	Tunis Cole to Henry Carroll -	" 5 "
DEED -	S.C. Edwards to Henry Carroll -	" 5 "
DEED	T.B. Wheeler to Henry Carroll -	" 5 "
DEED	Wm. Isley to Prisly Isley -	" 8 "
DEED	J. Holderby to V. M. Holderby -	" 26 "
Grant	State of North Carolina to Josiah F. Taylor	" 26 "
DEED of Trust -	A.P. Smith Trustee from Wm. A. Stanfield	" 26 "
Mortgage -	B.F.& H.H. Morton from John H. Madkins	April 3 "
DEED	James Cantrell to R. A. Ellington	" 4 "
DEED	John H. Dillard to John A. Alcorn	" 5 "
Grant -	State of North Carolina to James Bason	" 9 "
DEED Trust	Saml Smith Trustee, from Saml. T. Hopper	" 14 "
DEED -	Jones W. Burton to Saml. T. Hopper	" 14 "

DEED	Clerk & Master to Hugh K. Reid	April 24 – 1856
DEED -	Clerk & Master to Thomas Ware	“ “ “
DEED	Wm. W. Rankin from Alexr. Roach	“ 29 “
DEED	John W. Hutcherson to John Hudson	“ “ “
DEED	John Tyler to David P. French	“ “ “
DEED	James C. Wall to David P. French	“ “ “
DEED Trust -	Miles D. King Trustee from John Chrisman	May 3 rd “

Collateral Tax paid to Clerk February Term 1856		
On the Estate of John J. Lawson by R. W. Lawson Adm.		\$122.36
On the Estate of Alex Parrish by John Roberts Exr		13.80
On the Estate of Harvey W. Hopkins by D. L. Wright Adm.		2.97
On the Estate of Pleasant Hopkins by D. L. Wright Adm.		2.97
		\$142.10
May Term 1856	comm.	4.26
		\$137.86
On the Estate of Mary Dismukes by Ro. P. Richardson		67.79

Received of **W. M. Ellington** Clerk of the County Court the sum of one hundred & thirty seven dollars & 84 cents in full of the Collateral Tax collected from the first day of April 1855 to the first day of April 1856 as returned by said Clerk after deducting his commissions – This 9th day of August 1856 –

J. Roberts Sheriff

Jurors drawn at February Term 1856 for Spring Term Superior Court

1. James W. Moore	11. Saml. B. Cobb	21. Danl. E. Guerrant	32. W.F. Mills
2. Wm. W. Oliver	12. J. R. Smith	22. Winston Kallam	33. R.A. Holderby
3. John Sharp	13. John G. Robertson	23. Alvis Daniel	34. Wm. F. Brodnax
4. R. G. Henderson	14. Jas. C. Martin	24. Orson Martin	35. Nathan Mobley
5. John W. Johnson	15. Wm. Carter	25. Wm. O. Hopper	36. David Shreive
6. Allen Price	16. S. Kallam	26. A. M. Searcy	37. Jonathan Suits
7. Geo. W. Martin	17. Peter Scales	27. G. Winchester	38. E. Carter
8. Saml. P. Wilson	18. J.T. Smith	28. P. H. Price	39. O.L. Baily
9. Andrew Martin Junr	19. G.W. Martin ??	29. N. H. Dodd	40. J.W. Neal
10. Chas. S. Gates	20. M.L. Joyce	30. Jno. M. Reynolds	41. Geo. Simpson
		31. John Stacy	42. P.T. Williams

Jurors drawn for May Term 1856

1. Fountain D. King	10. Jas. C. Smith	19. Creed F. Ellington	28. Wilford Carter
2. John Barnes	11. Ricd. Gentry	20. Geo W. Pursell	29. Alexr. Wiles
3. John V. Barnes	12. A. L. Ward	21. Neptha Cobb	30. Eli Friddle
4. Jas. T. Reynolds	13. John P. Amos	22. Jas. M. Moore	31. Martin Hopper
5. M. S. Carter	14. David Price	23. John Paschal	32. John M Lautenschulager
6. Hardin Carter	15. Coleman Brann	24. John Lewellin	33. John Cryer
7. Robt. Sanders	16. Ezekiel White	25. Thos. Pratt	34. John Sutliff
8. W. R. Cabiness	17. Robt. J. Young	26. Wm. Calhoun	35. Henry C. Comer
9. P. Foy	18. Jonathan Brown	27. Alanson Massy	36. Thos. S. Black

State of North Carolina }
 Rockingham County }

Be it remembered that at a called Court began and held in the Clerks office on the
 14th day of April 1856 –
 Present

George W. Garrett	}	
John W. Ellington	}	Justices
Thos. W. Keen	}	

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that **Joseph Young** has died since the last Term of the Court, and that he left no last Will and Testament, and that a portion of his Estate is liable to waste.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that Special letters of administration on the Estate of said decd, be granted to **Noah M. Climer** and **Jane Young**, Who entered into Bond in the sum of \$3,000.00 with **George W. Garrett** and **John M. Climer** as their sureties, and qualified by taking the Oath prescribed by law –

It is ordered by the Court that the said Administrators sell on a credit of six months after due advertisement, the following property to wit –
 Bout 100 barrels corn, about 100 bushels wheat, 6 or 7 sacks Guano, 2 or 3 Stills, a number of Still tubs, half of one thrashing Machine some rough feed, a portion of the farming tools on hand, one horse one mule, & a quantity of land, and make return according to law –

Geo. W. Garrett	J.P.
J. W. Ellington	J.P.
T. W. Keen	J.P.

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This photograph shows both the old Sharon Baptist Church and the new brick sanctuary built in 1938. The old building was demolished soon after the photograph was taken. The brick sanctuary is still in use by the congregation.

— *Courtesy of Floyd Garrison*

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Fred and Lettie Ellington Smothers at the Thomas Henry Smothers home on Iron Works Road in 1938.

*– Courtesy of Ed Smothers
(son of Fred and Lettie)*

Memories of Growing Up In The Sharon Baptist Church Community

By Fred Eston Smothers

**With Notes Compiled by Floyd Garrison
and Bob Carter**

Editor's Note: In 1990 Mary Smothers Holloway mentioned to the editor that her late brother, Fred E. Smothers, had written his memories of growing up in the Sharon Church Community of Rockingham County. She obtained a copy of the manuscript from Fred's son, Thomas E. Smothers, of High Point, North Carolina. Floyd Garrison, a relative of the family, volunteered to help identify the people mentioned in the manuscript. Floyd is a native of Alliance, Ohio and attended high school and graduated from college there. He later moved to the Sharon Church area where his parents had grown up and where their families had lived for several generations. Floyd had the unique experience of knowing many of the people who left the Sharon Church area in the early twentieth century seeking employment in Ohio and then knowing their relatives after he moved to Rockingham County.

Fred E. Smothers' career took him to a number of locations around the country and after his retirement in the 1960s he and his wife settled in Reidsville. He began to write his reminiscences in June 1976 sometime after a serious accident which left him in a wheelchair. He never completed the manuscript. He died 4 May 1980 and was buried at Mount Carmel United Methodist Church Cemetery in Rockingham County. His wife, Lettie Ellington Smothers, died on 9 July 1982. The Society wishes to thank Fred's son, Thomas E. Smothers, for permission to publish his father's manuscript. The Society also wishes to thank Floyd Garrison for the countless hours he spent identifying the people mentioned in the manuscript and Rita Gantt for typing the footnotes.

The Smothers Manuscript

This is about things and some of the people of a small community in which I grew up. It was called Nubbin Ridge¹ but more properly Sharon Church Community.² Located in Rockingham County, North Carolina 8 miles northwest of Reidsville, 18 miles north of Greensboro and 5 miles southwest of Wentworth – the County seat.

The dirt road was known as the Coal Road³ because before and after the Revolutionary War there was an iron smelter at the old Iron Works Mill and the local people cut huge piles of logs, burned them to make coke and hauled this to the smelter. Iron Works Mill⁴ is a well-known historic spot where soldiers camped during the Revolution after the Battle of Guilford Courthouse. Even George Washington spent time here in what was known as the Jarrett house.⁵ More about Iron Works Mill later.

I was the youngest of six children; a brother died shortly after birth. My family consisted of my father, Thomas Henry Smothers;⁶ mother, Loula Virginia Lemons-Smothers;⁷ sister, Mary Louise;⁸ brothers, James Armine,⁹ George Elmer,¹⁰ Henry Thomas¹¹ and myself.¹² This was a community of hard working, God fearing, thrifty and mostly honest people who had a deep concern for their neighbors and believed in taking care of their own. This was before the days of government control through its numerous bureaus that have so changed the lives of all our people. We had no Social Security, welfare, ADC, free lunches, Food Stamps, farm subsidies and many others. But, as I recall, no one was hungry or at least not for long as all the neighbors believed in helping one another in time of need.

The name Nubbin Ridge was coined after the Civil War.¹³ When the soldiers returned home everything was devastated but they managed to get a crop in. There was no money to buy fertilizer and then a dry summer caused the corn to produce nothing but “nubbins”. My grandfather was a Confederate soldier and the story goes that since all the hogs had been killed, the neighbors pooled what little money they had and sent several wagons to Cincinnati to buy fat back; hence the name “Cincinnati chicken”¹⁴ which I think is a treat even today. Fat back slices, battered and



Mr. and Mrs. James P. Smothers in front of their home in the Sandy Cross Community ca. 1917. Mr. Smothers, a blacksmith and farrier, died on 8 August 1919. He married Mary Eliza Woollen on 12 January 1868. She died 27 May 1919. Both are buried in the Sharon Baptist Church Cemetery. The Smothers were the grandparents of Fred E. Smothers.

– *Photo courtesy of Bob King*



The James P. Smothers home built ca. 1868. The house, located on the Iron Works Road, was remodeled into this form in the mid-1950s. This photo was taken in 1980. The house is now falling into ruins.

– *Photo courtesy of Bob Carter*

fried to a golden brown, thick milk gravy, hot biscuits or corn pone. Good rib-sticking eating!

We attended a three-room public school¹⁵ where we were taught the basic 3 R's but most of all taught the principles of good citizenship, work integrity, honesty, love for our neighbors, study and adherence to the principles and laws of God's holy word "The Bible". Most of the time our principal served as minister or worked closely with the minister of the church. Our school was L-shaped with two rooms connected by sliding doors.¹⁶ When opened they served for assembly each morning. Each room had a closet which served as wood storage, coat closet and shelves for lunch pails. This was before the day of free lunches and each child carried his own lunch prepared in the morning by Mother without the aid of a dietitian. This was after breakfast, stock had been fed, cows milked, pigs slopped, and chickens fed and watered. Lunch pails consisted of a conglomerate of Karo Syrup, lard buckets, Luzianne Coffee pails - all of which served as good defensive weapons on the way home from school. Some of the more fortunate, or maybe less so, had store-bought cardboard wax-treated lunch boxes with wire handles. Many head lumps and bruises were caused by these tin pails.

Lunch consisted of ham biscuits, fried chicken, pork sausage or tenderloin biscuits - homemade cinnamon honey buns, half-moon dried apple or peach pies - peach, pumpkin, coconut, rhubarb and other pies - all kinds of cakes, fresh caught fish and on occasion, salmon cakes - baked sweet potatoes. Some even had corn pone with a jar of homemade molasses. You could punch a hole in the corn pone with a finger, pour in the molasses and have sweet corn pone. At least no one went hungry. Bucket in hand and homemade book satchel and we were off to school. Sometimes we would even eat lunch on the way and hang the pail in a tree to pick up on the way home. No school buses - but bad weather or snow we would get a ride in the buggy or wagon. I do not know yet if I was fortunate or not but my father served on the School Board. Also, most of the time one or two teachers would board at our home - including Thelma Wooten, Audrey Barber, Sarah Gwynn, Sally and Mamie Bennett.¹⁷ At least we were well-disciplined, both at home and school.

When we arrived at school we played outside. Games were cross-ball, black man, Peg, ring around, In and Out, Mumble Peg with a Barlow knife and marbles. There was a steep hill just below the school where we slid down on our homemade sleds during snow - that is, if we could

salvage enough lumber to make a sled. When the bell rang we had to line up, two abreast and march into the double room for morning assembly. One of the teachers led devotion. First, allegiance to the flag, then reading from the Bible, after which pupils were called on to recite a Bible verse. Favorites were "Jesus Wept" and "Judge not that you be not judged". A prayer and then we went to our separate rooms, sliding doors closed. The 3 classes were divided 1 through 4, 5 through 7 and 8 through 11.

When classes began each grade was called to the front and seated on a long bench. Spelling came first, then math where each one had to work problems on a wall blackboard. I might add that throwing chalk and blackboard felt erasers was good fun if you could sneak a time when the teacher was looking elsewhere. Reading came next and if we were not prepared or missed a word or problem it was either stay in during recess or after school until we mastered the problem. If it was after school we were usually late getting home where our parents without fail diagnosed the problem and solved it by a good talking to. More drastic measures called for a dose of hickory tea or razor strap applied to one's backside.

Lunch recess was a hurry-up affair with swapping of lunches between each other. On special occasions someone would have an orange which they would cut a hole in and pass around for others to have a suck. They had other goodies to swap along about Christmas time; dried raisins and dried California peaches were a delicacy and demanded a premium swap.

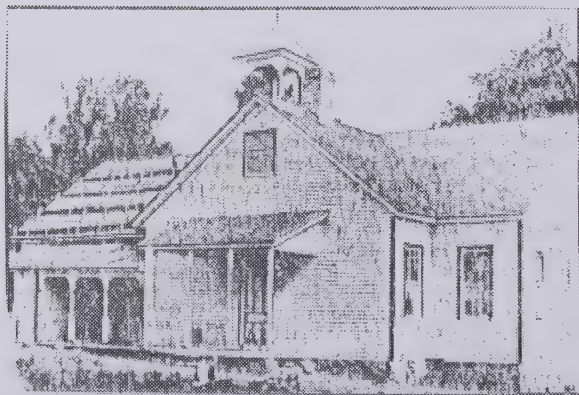
Each of the rooms was heated by a wood stove and the boys had to keep a supply of dry wood in the closet. Wood was cut and hauled to school by parents. Occasionally we would have a disaster in the room. Someone would stop up the chimney and smoke would fill the room or soot would collect that would cause a burnout with everyone anticipating the school burning down.

Sometimes the closet was used for discipline as the teacher kept a board paddle with holes in it hanging in the closet and used it when needed to good advantage. This constituted double jeopardy because a paddling at school brought on another application of the razor strap upon arrival at home. I believe our parents were gifted with ESP as they always knew what happened at school. Parents then did not believe that paddling was unusual or brutal punishment for what some teachers today have been taken to court about. More use of the paddle today would make students have more respect for both teachers and parents.



The Woollen homeplace on Woollen Store Road in the Sharon Church Community. David M. Woollen (1818-1886) and his wife Nancy N. Smith Woollen purchased this house in 1848 and he established his blacksmith shop nearby on the Iron Works Road. The house, now falling into ruins, is still owned by members of the Woollen family. Fred E. Smothers was a great-grandson of the Woollens.

– Photo (1978) courtesy of Bob Carter



Sharon Graded School was built in 1906 on the north side of the Iron Works Road across from the Sharon Church Cemetery. By 1914 the building had a couple of additions making it a three teacher school. This building burned in February 1917 and was replaced by a new building across the road on the site of the old Sharon Baptist Church parsonage.

– Photo from The Reidsville Review

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One time we had a real disaster. We had to close the room for a general cleanup. My father had a blacksmith shop and my brother Henry and two neighbor kids, Norman and Avery Butler,¹⁸ conceived the idea of making a bomb. They got a stick of stovewood, took it to my father's shop, drilled a hole in the wood, poured in some black blasting powder, drove a peg in the hole and sawed the end off to make it look natural. They then carried it to school and placed it in the wood pile, keeping a close watch on it. Needless to say that someone put this wood in the stove. They were at their desks supposedly studying. The wood exploded, blowing the pipe off and the door open, scattering ashes, coals and smoke in the room. Of course, no one knew what caused it. But for sometime thereafter the popular Bible verses in assembly were "Be sure your sins will not find you out" and "Judge not that you be not judged". We, even then, had a code not to "snitch" on anyone, and the secret was kept for sometime. When school was out we gathered our coats, book satchel and lunch pail, and marched out into the yard where we were dismissed. Our school was centrally located at roads leading 3 ways – west, south and east. My group went east for about ½ mile to another road called Hudson's Road where the group split and this was the point of many fights. Paul, Roy, Artie and Toler Gunn,¹⁹ Bob, Dewey, Tom, John, Essie and Sally Hudson²⁰ going one way; Shreve boys, Jack, Russell and Lonnie;²¹ Woolens, Dave, Rob, Numa, Chal, Reba and Ruby;²² Garrisons,²³ King boys.²⁴ The Smalls,²⁵ Lemons²⁶ (cousins of ours) and Smothers going on. This side road adjoined our farm so if fighting got too rough we could split and be in our front yard. I might add that the girls were usually in charge of the lunch pails and were proficient in their use – especially Toler Gunn and Nannie Small.²⁷ On one occasion the fighting almost got out of hand. It had been snowing and was a wet slush. Norman Butler and Numa Woolen²⁸ got to throwing snowballs which finally reached the stage of balls made of snow, mud and rocks used at close range. After it was over both were scarred and bleeding. This was unusual though as most of the time we parted and met the next day on a friendly basis. First thing on arrival at home was a trip to the warming oven for a sweet potato and then to evening chores - chopping wood, milking cows, feeding stock and other numerous chores.

Ours was a tobacco farm and in the fall tobacco had to be made ready for market. Not like it is now. Then the sticks of tobacco had to be put in a basement dug under the pack barn.²⁹ It needed to come in order

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(limp) so it could be handled. In the morning before school we had to get the tobacco out of the basement, remove it from sticks and pack it down with a burlap sheet over it. Dad had a bench or rack separated into sections and all day he would sit in his chair separating each leaf into 4 or 5 different grades. After supper, the dinner was in the middle of the day,³⁰ we either went to the pack barn or sometimes brought the tobacco to the house where we tied it into small bundles or hands. To do this we gathered about 30 or 40 leaves, smoothed a leaf, calling this a tie-leaf, folded it and wrapped it around the stems of the bundle, pulling the stem through the bundle. The bundles were then hung on sticks and packed down until carried to market. Market day the household was up before dawn. The wagon was usually packed the night before, mules were fed and we had breakfast. The mules were harnessed, hitched to the wagon and driven 10 miles to the Reidsville market. About once a year several neighbors would get together with several wagons to go to either the Winston-Salem or Danville, Virginia market.³¹ This would be a three or four day trip. I remember one trip when we took two wagons to Winston-Salem. Left on Saturday, camped on the way and arrived in Winston Sunday afternoon. Each warehouse had bunk rooms with a large coal stove where we all sat around and played cards, checkers or told tall tales. Some had other diversions such as partaking of “white moonshine” cough syrup. When all were finally in bunks for a night’s rest there could be heard different sounds of snoring. One exceptionally loud snore was emanating and when he turned over everything got quiet and another man raised up and said “Hope he’s daid”.

On this particular trip I was 10 years old. While in town we went by the Pleasants Hardware store on Monday to buy needed farm supplies like plow points, rope, trace chains, etc. I saw the prettiest Crown bike I ever laid eyes on, brown and white with mud guards and even a pump. I had never owned or had even a tricycle before, only homemade wagons and sleds. I did not think Dad would buy it for me but after a good tobacco sale and a few tears by me when he stopped by the store on the way out of town to pick up our purchases, Dad had the bike put on the wagon too. All \$38.00 worth! We camped again on the way home and I rode the bike the next day – most of the way. To say I was the envy of other neighbor boys would be putting it mildly.

We arrived at the warehouse, went inside and began to unload our tobacco. The warehouse furnished 40” x 40” slat baskets. We put each

grade in a separate basket. Grades were then lugs, leaf, cutters, wrappers and tips with several grades in each category. Early in the morning the warehouse scales would open and sometimes stay open at night. Each basket would be placed on the truck and rolled across the scales where the name of grower and weight would be recorded. A ticket would be made and placed on the pile of tobacco. It was then lined up in rows across the warehouse for sale. It has been known that buyers would find rocks, hunks of iron, etc. in the tobacco. I even heard that a lead weight could be placed under the hand truck and after the farmer used it removed the weight. Also, the toe of a brogan shoe could add several pounds if one was steady enough to keep the scale's needle from wavering.

Tobacco auction sales were a thing to behold. Even today, better than a 3-ring circus if one has never been to one. Back then it was much different than it is now. But some of the traditions still exist.³² At nine o'clock sales would begin on one side of the warehouse; workers and buyers were lined up down the row. The sales manager would start the pile of tobacco with first bid. Auctioneer next, ticket marker, who would enter price paid, and company or buyer who bought it. Buyers, representing all companies, lined up across the row and behind the ticket marker. Next the auctioneer started his chant – 30 a dollar bid – Who'll make thirty-one – Thirty-one I got – Gimme thirty-two, etc. The buyers had devious ways of bidding – nod their heads, blink an eye, hold up a finger, pinch their ear or nose – almost any motion would guarantee the auctioneer and would raise the bid. When bids ceased he would say "Sold Leggett or Reynolds bought it" – anything to keep the chant going. Behind the regular buyers were the speculators and pin-hookers who if they thought it was too cheap would buy a pile. They would possibly re-grade it, mix it with other tobacco, re-work it anyway they could to make it look good, and put it back on the market next day and try to make a profit. After sale passed, if the farmer was not satisfied with the price he could "Take It In" – refuse to sell by folding ticket. If he sold, then a "Clip Man", one with bills, would list the farmer's name, pounds, price and amount of each pile. Total this and send bill to office for payment to farmer. A "Book Man" also followed and charged each pile to whoever bought it. He and the Clip Man had to balance each bill. Each afternoon books were balanced and companies billed for their purchases which they had to pay before sale next day.

More about tobacco warehouses. One in Reidsville was called Watts in the main part of town and the warehouse itself was on the second

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floor with a ramp to drive the wagons up into it.³³ At the center of the ramp were wood strips so the mules' feet would not slip going up or down. Underneath in back were stables for the stock and in front were stores. There also was a bunk room upstairs for those who had to stay overnight. There were not many toilets or back houses in town so the stables were used. I recall my Dad used to ask me if I needed to make a "branch" before we would start home. I remember one store very well, "Burton's General Store",³⁴ sold everything from molasses to horse collars. The store was underneath one side of the warehouse; dust from the above stables and the street would blow in and settle on things. Molasses barrel, vinegar barrel, and cracker barrel stood in back of the stove. Of course there would be spills which would attract a collection of flies in warm weather. One real treat on coming to town was to get a nickel can of sardines with black pepper, vinegar and crackers, shoo the flies away and eat them with a spoon that had been cleaned only by rubbing in dirt and wiping with paper. A real treat was to get a nickel's worth of cheese along with the sardines. Burton's was the place also where I sold my rabbits. In winter, I would set traps (usually 8 or 10) made out of hollow logs and would visit these traps early in the morning before school. If I caught any rabbits, which I usually did, they would have to be killed, skinned and drawn before school. Then we would hang them up in the smokehouse until someone went to town.³⁵ We had to leave the feet on showing the fur because Mr. Burton would not buy them. He was afraid we would run some cats in as extras. Price usually was 8 or 10 cents each. Mr. Burton would then hang the rabbits on strings along with bunches of bananas and other stuff outside in front of the store until they were sold.

On occasions my mother would come to town with us and she would spend most of her time at Mrs. Cornie Irvin's store.³⁶ Miss Cornie, as she was called, had one of the more prominent dress and millinery shops in town. Miss Minnie Lee Jones, one of the hat makers, made all my mother's hats.³⁷ Along in the middle of the afternoon we would hitch the team and get started on the trip home; it took about 2 hours. On the way out of town we would sometimes stop at West End Store and get a tin box of vanilla wafers and some crackers and cheese to eat on the way home.³⁸ The tin wafer boxes were always kept and made good storage kits for needles, pins, buttons, etc.

When I was about 11 years of age we did have a disaster in the community. The old school burned one night.³⁹ No one ever knew how it

caught on fire. Of course, we children were happy – but not for long. My dad and others got busy and rented 2 rooms in a nearby farm house . . . one the old “Andy Carroll Log House”⁴⁰ and the other known as “Sally and Susie House”⁴¹ (two neighborhood spinsters). School went along for the rest of the year and the community got together, cut and hauled logs for lumber and built the 3-room school which was ready for the next term.

*Note: No Federal grants either.

After I finished the 7th grade Dad decided to let my brother and myself go to Reidsville to school.⁴² We had a T-Model Ford and drove into school each day for 1 year; then Henry got expelled from school and went to live with my oldest brother, Armine, who had migrated to Alliance, Ohio, and was working for the Pennsylvania Railroad. He went to school there for a term and then came back to attend Oak Ridge Military Academy. Another neighbor, Amos Butler,⁴³ was also coming to Reidsville school so we teamed up and came together for one year. The next year we rode a Chevrolet to school. I do not know how it was managed but we got the bus that Elton Rogers drove. Amos, Elton, his sisters Irma and Leslie,⁴⁴ Clara and Lola Smith,⁴⁵ myself and others rode the bus. Along about this time I was in the 10th grade at Sharon School and other local schools were consolidated (beginning of the end) into Bethany High School.⁴⁶ The bus came by my house so I started to Bethany School; Watson Lambeth⁴⁷ was Principal. I lasted at Bethany until January. One Friday evening we were playing basketball on an outside dirt court. I was playing and had a chew of tobacco in my mouth. I did not know Lambeth was around, and when I passed by him I “spit” (expectorated) some amber juice which barely missed him. He sent me to his office and he came in a little later and went through a long tirade about tobacco being unclean and gentlemen did not smoke or chew. Then I came back with “all my neighbors chew and I think they are gentlemen.” He then told me to write “I will not smoke or chew and always be a gentleman”, a thousand times. I refused. He sent me home for a week or two until he could talk to Dad. I went back to Reidsville School with Amos Butler on Monday and finished there in 1926. I might add that Lambeth did talk to Dad and finally decided that I could come back to Bethany. Dad should have made me go back but he did not. By this time I was interested in the opposite sex; had met a senior at Reidsville High, Lettie Ellington,⁴⁸ whom I was very much attracted to. About 7 years later she would become my beloved wife, Mrs. Fred Smothers. After she finished high school she went to old East

Carolina Teacher's College. I played the field during my senior year but managed to finance a couple of trips to Greenville for a date in the balcony of the local theatre. After I finished Reidsville High I worked a year, helped Dad raise a crop and then went to electrical school in Chicago where I finished in 1928. When I came back home I got a job with Charlotte Electric Company in Greensboro, N.C. When the depression hit in 1929 I was out of work – so back home.

I stayed home, helped on the farm and Mr. Ellington; later my father-in-law,⁴⁹ got me a job with Imperial Tobacco Company following sales as a checker at \$15.00 a week.⁵⁰ I did this during selling season. After market closed in February, I got a job with Kiker and Yount Construction Company⁵¹ as distributor operator with Bob Pollitt.⁵² Levi Porter was superintendent and Bob was a nephew of his. Bob was dating Agnes Minor and later married her. Agnes was a classmate of mine and also an acquaintance with Lettie but not too steady as she had finished, etc. and was teaching – one year in Belmont, N.C. where she also was having numerous dates and came very close to settling on one in particular.

During the summer of 1931 I was home for a few days as we were only allowed to work 30 hours a week. Numa Winstead,⁵³ a lawyer and friend of Lettie and myself, learned of an opening as County Engineer for Rockingham County WPA.⁵⁴ He called Lettie and asked her if she would like to help me get the job. She, her sister Irene, and Numa drove out to my house and had to drive way over on the backside of the farm where I was working. Of course, I told Numa I would like to have the job. He then told me they were having a meeting that night and would decide on who was to get the job. He told me to be there and high water could not have kept me away. After the meeting, Numa told me I had the job on a trial basis, \$35.00 a week and 5¢ a mile for driving my car. By that time I had a 1930 model Chevrolet Roadster; later traded for a 1931 2-door. Miss Lona Glidewell⁵⁵ was then Superintendent of County Welfare and was my supervisor as she had her staff of three persons. They had to certify who was eligible to work. My job was to plan the projects with county, town, and other officials, get approval from the Raleigh office and buy necessary tools and equipment where needed. Not much machinery was used as most was hand work to give more people jobs. After the project was approved I had to line up workers who were assigned, appoint a foreman and put them to work. I also had to deliver all the checks to foremen on Friday and

Saturday to pay the men. I was also in charge of payroll and helped write checks. WPA grew to be a large thing in Rockingham County with several hundred people on the payroll. Of course, our staff had to grow in order to take care of the work. We had projects all over the county – Madison, Mayodan, Stoneville, Leaksville, Spray, Draper, Reidsville and others. We did a lot of good work building schools, two armories, roads, sidewalks, community buildings, playgrounds, etc. Most of all they all stand today. One hurry-up project was we got notice that we were to receive several hundred cows from out west by rail. We had to lease land and build pastures to take care of them. I had to buy barbed wire, cut posts and get men to build the fences. One of my classmates, John Womack⁵⁶ and a recent Duke graduate, was out of work so I hired him for this and we got the job done the day the cattle arrived. After the cattle had been in the pasture several months, they were slaughtered and given out to needy families. During all this time of purchasing tools, machinery, materials, etc. I was either too dumb or honest to take a bribe of which I was offered several. One occasion I bought a road machine from Kiker and Yount for \$300.00 and later sold it to the Town of Mayodan for \$325.00. Things went along smoothly until a new County Board of Commission was elected and Mrs. Wilson⁵⁷ from Madison was appointed Superintendent of Welfare to succeed Miss Glidewell. Mrs. Wilson was in Madison so she hired a Mrs. Ruth Duffy,⁵⁸ a case worker, to be in charge of the Reidsville office which she moved from downtown to the old vacated Franklin Street School. Mrs. Duffy and I just could not pull in the same harness. In the meantime on April 15, 1933, Lettie Ellington became Mrs. Fred Smothers and we were living in an apartment called Knight Apts.⁵⁹ We had enough money so we made down payments on living room, bedroom and kitchen furniture. By this time she had quit teaching and worked at Gardner Drug Store⁶⁰ as Bookkeeper, \$90.00 a month. About this time Edd Padgett, State Director for Industrial Commission, took over as Safety Director WPA and he came by and offered me a job as District Safety Director in Greensboro, North Carolina. By this time WPA had evolved into district offices with 5 in the State. Greensboro had 26 counties in its District. I became District Safety Director at the then fabulous salary of \$175.00 a month plus 5¢ for the car. I commuted back and forth as most of my time was spent in the counties of the District.

More about the farm and growing up. We had several small creeks, or branches as we called them, on or adjoining the farm and in the summer

we would cut logs, salvage lumber, put the logs across the branch, nail on boards and then shovel in dirt to dam the branch, making a swimming hole. We had help from Norman and Avery Butler,⁶¹ Dell and Lonnie Shreve⁶² and any others who would help. This would be a gathering place especially on Saturday afternoon and Sunday; also offered a place for the weekly bath. No girls allowed – so bathing and dunking was done nude. When rains came it usually washed the dam away so we then would go to Troublesome Creek about a mile away. Not much trouble to get in the pond or creek as we were barefoot, wore only a denim shirt and pair of bib overalls. Some had what was known as one piece union suits, light for summer and heavy for winter. The shy ones would hurriedly “shuck” off and jump in BUT the more well endowed would take their time to show off. We called them “Bank Walkers.” The creek and ponds were well used in July and August during wheat harvest time. There was no such things as combines. When wheat was ripe it was cut by a reaper or binder, the difference being a reaper would cut the wheat and rake it out in small piles where it was picked up and bound in bundles. Earlier than the reaper it was cut with what we called a “Cradle” where the worker would make a “swipe”, cutting the wheat, falling back onto the cradle fingers. He would then remove it off the fingers with his left hand and place it on the ground in piles to be tied by hand. My Dad bought one of the first Johnson Binders in the community. This was pulled by 3 horses or mules, and by an arrangement of revolving reel and cloths. The wheat then went onto a deck where it was automatically tied into bundles. The bundles would kick out onto a carrier, and when this collected 5 or 6 bundles Dad would drop them. They were then shocked by hand for further drying. The Johnson Binder was a good investment as it more than paid for itself by Dad cutting for neighbors at so much an acre. After drying for several weeks the wheat was hauled and either stored in the barn or stacked around poles until the threshers came by – sometimes it was stacked in an open field. Threshers usually started after July 4th. They would go from farm to farm threshing. Three or four men owned the threshers and went with them. Other help was from neighbors who helped each other, ten or fifteen men. When the threshing crew was at a farm for dinner or supper (sometimes it would take all day at the larger places), the women would fix the meals, and it took a lot of food for this group of hard working men. Usually two or three tables would have to be served. Older ones always got the first table, but there was always plenty. Chicken pie, ham, pork, stringbeans,

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cabbage, peas, corn, hot biscuits, cornbread, pies (stacked 3 deep) cakes, tater pudding, all kinds of preserves, jellies, fresh country butter, milk and buttermilk. After dinner we found a shady spot for a few minutes rest before returning to work. If the threshers were at a place overnight they had to be fed at breakfast also. And the stock taken care of. Some of the men would sleep in the barn or straw stack.

Threshers collected what they called "Toll", a minimum of 3 bushels and then one bushel for every ten threshed. The most desired job of the crew was "Scorekeeper." This belonged mostly to one man in our community named Sam Gunn.⁶³ He would get the 1st sack of wheat to sit on, place it in a shaded place and mark down each bushel poured into sacks. Next best job was "Toters" who carried the wheat, usually a bushel, 60 lbs., to the barn and dumped it in bins. Then we had band cutters, feeders, straw stackers, and others. Worst job was handing chaff or husks that came out the tail of the gin and had to be moved by a large, wide slatted wooden fork. Everyone tried to dodge this job. But my brother Elmer says he got more than his share of this. When wheat was stacked in the open field and had to be threshed with not a shade tree or shelter around it would become so hot with the sun bearing down that it would become almost unbearable. Later they came out with Straw Stackers, then self-feeders, then straw-balers, which eliminated a lot of the hard work. Now they have combines which handle the harvest at one time. But it has eliminated also the spirit of "togetherness" and the comradeship of neighbors getting together to help each other.

BARN RAISING: Most all tobacco barns were built of logs and hard rock flues.⁶⁴ When one burned it had to be replaced. We had one to burn. We then went into the woods, cut logs and hauled them to the site. They had to be barked, and using a "broadaxe" we "hewed" them on two sides. It took about 60 logs to build a barn. When the logs were ready neighbors were invited in to help.⁶⁵ They brought axes and one man on each corner would "notch" the logs to fit; others would push the logs up to them on skid poles. When it was high enough the rafters (slim poles) were put in place and strips nailed on them to hold board shingles which were made out of oak blocks with a mallet and "fro". This was an all day job and the men had to be fed. The last one we had we served Brunswick Stew which is another story. Started it the night before so it would be ready for lunch next day.

CORN SHUCKING: In the fall when corn was dried on the stalk the ears had to be pulled and hauled to the barnyard by wagons and dumped into a long pile. A day was set for shucking and the neighbors informed.⁶⁶ They usually came early and got a place along the pile of corn. Might add this would be fall of year and most times cold so we would pile the shucks behind us to keep partially warm. Each man had a "Shucking Peg" made of hard hickory wood about 4 inches long, sharp on the end, and fitted with a narrow leather loop to go around the middle finger and fit in the palm. The point of the peg would help open the shuck. Some had store bought ones made from metal attached to half fingers like a glove. I don't know why, but somehow there would be a small number of red ears scattered through the pile and when you were lucky and shucked one of these it was permission for a trip to the barn for some liquid warmth. This was a time also where the women prepared dinner and was about hog killing time and there would be fresh pork along with all the good eats. Fried chicken, pumpkin pies, cakes, turnips, turnip greens, tater pudding, etc. If shucking was finished in time shucks were gathered up and put in the barn. One man, John Hudson⁶⁷, had the biggest hands and longest arms of anyone I know. He could fall belly-down on the shuck pile, reach out his arms rocking from side to side and come up with what looked like a wagon load of shucks. Then if there was time left we would use boxes and baskets to get up the ears of corn and put them in the crib. By late afternoon the lucky ones who shucked several red ears during the day was not bothered by the cold and would be in a good hilarious mood.

HOG KILLING TIME was another coop: Several would get together and each kill two or three hogs together. Things had to be prepared the day before. Hog scalding – a large wooden vat covered on the bottom with tin and caulked with old rags to hold water. A small trench was dug. The scalding vat placed over this trench. A hole in one end and other was left open to put a fire underneath. Plank and log platform built up even with top of scalding. Then a pole to hang the hogs on was fixed; one end of the pole in the fork of a handy tree, and an A-frame at the other, scalding filled with water, wood for fire cut and things were ready. Next morning men would gather with gun and knives ready. Mr. Will Butler⁶⁸ – a neighbor – did the killing. He would take the rifle, maneuver into position and call "Suey-suey" to make the hog turn its head just right – then he would "pop" it between the eyes and the hog would fall – never saw him miss yet. When the hog fell several would jump the fence and

one “the sticker” would get ready, hog turned on his back the sticking knife was about 5” long, sharp on both sides and came to a point. The sticker would cut hog’s throat with both a vertical and horizontal cut so it would bleed freely. Hog was then dragged or carried to scalding and submerged in hot water until hair came loose. It was then lifted out by ropes to platform, picked, scraped and washed down and made ready for pole. To hang on pole a slit was made in each back leg just above the knuckle and the tender stretched out to hold a “gatlin stick.” This was a strong hickory, smoothed down and sharpened at each end – one end inserted underneath tendon – hog lifted up, stick placed over pole and under other tendon. After hanging for a while to finish bleeding it was then drawn and “gutted” and washed out and left hanging to cool out all animal heat.

Late in the afternoon came time to cut up and put away. Hog would be laid on a platform, head and feet cut off, hams and shoulders next, opened up and tenderloin taken out – middlins (sow belly – fat back) cut off and then ribs and backbone. There would be a big meat box in the smoke house. Meat was trimmed to make lard and sausage. It was then put on table where a generous supply of salt was rubbed on and packed in meat box. Trimmings and other parts were taken in the house where most of fat was trimmed off and fat put in a large cast iron pot for cooking the lard out. When done fat was squeezed through a cotton bag and the grease, liquid fat, put in a large tin can (and stored for use as seasoning for vegetables). Sausage was ground, seasoned and most put in earthen crocks for use. Some of it and some of the tenderloin was canned in glass jars. In about 3 weeks other meat was removed from box, washed, treated with borax, black molasses, and black pepper. Some would use brown sugar also. Then hams, shoulders, middlins (bacon) would be hung up on twine attached to hooks in the smoke house for final cure. This was done by a smoldering fire made of chips, sawdust, and hardwood chunks. Covered it would produce a lot of smoke. This lasted several weeks until meat was thoroughly cured and then it would last until used.

Anyone who has never lived on a farm has missed a lot. Call it good or bad. I recall one job of milking cows. This before the days of electric milkers. Up early in the morning, grab a pail and off to the barn. In the early fall and summer we would still be barefoot. In fall sometimes it would be chilly and not quite awake we might encounter a freshly dispersed pile of “cow dung.” This would feel good to bare feet if still

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warm and certainly good for athlete's foot. But it called for a trip to the branch to get clean.

We would give the cow some hay, get our small stool, make her back her right leg and start pulling. Sometimes you would have to kinda hunch her udder with your fist to make her give the milk down. In summer flies would be around biting the cow and she would swish her tail back and forth wrapping you in the face. One time I tried to stop this by tying a rock to her tail. But I did not figure out how strong her tail muscles were and she hit me in the head with the rock. Did not try this again. After milking we had to take the cow out on the grass or rye patch to graze. This was done by a long chain attached to a stob driven into the ground. Dad made us a large auger with the handle like a "T" that we could screw into the ground. After milking Mother would strain the milk through a fine copper screen, save out enough to drink and put the rest in a large crock to later churn, after it clabbered, for fresh butter and buttermilk.

A lot of people in our community had free-flowing springs on their property and we had one about 300 yards from the house. They would build boxes with a hole in each end so water would run through, place the box in the spring branch and use this to keep milk cool. When milk was ready we had to churn it. First, we had a barrel churn. This was nothing more than a small barrel with a lid clamped on one end and placed on an axle with a crank. To churn you put the milk in and turned the barrel until the butter was ready. Later we had a "Daisy" churn. This was a metal container with a dasher turned by crank and cogs. I found early that if hot water was added the butter would come quicker but Mother always knew because the butter would look whiter than usual. Years later we got a Delco Lighting Plant⁶⁹ and had lights and an electric churn.

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NOTES

1. "Nubbin Ridge" was a nickname for the western end of the Sandy Cross Community and the eastern portion of the Sharon Church area. The "Ridge" had an indefinite boundary and the name appears to have originated during the famous dry year of 1881 when one of the residents of the area, living near Jones Chapel Baptist Church, total corn crop consisted of one nubbin.
2. Sharon Baptist Church is located on Iron Works Road about one mile east of Highway 65. Sometime after the Civil War a union church was established here and Sharon Baptist Church grew out of that effort in 1876. The present church was erected in 1938 and has had several additions in recent years.
3. The "Coal Road" was a local name which was applied to the Iron Works Road from the Iron Works Mill west into the Sharon Church area. It was so named because charcoal being hauled to the Iron Works furnace in the eighteenth century fell from the back of wagons thus giving the road a lightly dark appearance. The name is seldom heard today.
4. Iron Works Mill was located on Troublesome Creek on Monroeton Road near an iron furnace established in 1770 by Joseph Buffington. The early iron production was limited to a brief period, but later the Perkins family of Virginia produced a considerable quantity of iron from 1788 -- 1798. After this period, the site was an important gristmill and sawmill operation. It was also a polling place and was the location of a store, tavern and post office at various times. The last mill closed in 1947 and the building burned in 1968.
5. Local folklore said George Washington spent the night at the Jarrett house (formerly the Polly Scott Inn). This is incorrect since Washington's diary shows that he only stopped in the area long enough to eat breakfast at the Iron Works. This occurred in June 1791 while on his southern tour of the United States
6. Thomas Henry Smothers was born 15 November 1869 and died on 11 January 1943. His parents were James Pinkney Smothers (died on 8 August 1919 at age 84) and Mary Eliza Woollen Smothers who died on 27 May 1919 at age 72. All these people are buried at Sharon Church Cemetery. James P. Smothers' first wife was Sarah E. Woollen and they were married on 28 March 1858. This marriage produced one daughter, Mollie L. Smothers who married John W. Winsboro in 1891 and the couple settled in Front Royal, Virginia. Following his first wife's death and burial at the old Miller Cemetery, James P. Smothers married her sister, Mary Eliza Woollen on 12 January 1868 and they became the parents of Thomas Henry Smothers.
7. Loula Virginia Lemons was born 21 November 1870 and died on 6 May 1952. On 3

August 1892 she married Thomas Henry Smothers in Guilford County. The couple settled on a tract of land given to them by his father and this land on the Iron Works Road became known as the Thomas H. Smothers' homeplace. The Lemons family originally lived in Rockingham County and later lived a number of years in Guilford County.

8. Mary Louise Smothers, the daughter of Thomas H. Smothers, was born 13 July 1903 and died 1 November 1994. She married Dr. Woods Holloway, a Durham, North Carolina dentist. She served on the Draft Board throughout World War II. Later she and her husband settled at her father's homeplace in the Sharon Church Community where they landscaped the yard with beautiful flowers, shrubs and trees.
9. James Armine Smothers was born on 28 June 1893 and died 2 February 1943. He went to Alliance, Ohio ca. World War I and became an engineer on the Pennsylvania Railroad. In Alliance he renewed his friendship with his bosom buddy from childhood days in the Sharon Church area, John Shreve. He married Ann Roth. He died in Pennsylvania on 2 February 1943 and his body was returned for burial in the Sharon Church Cemetery.
10. George Elmer Smothers was born 21 April 1898 and he also went into railroading but worked for the Southern Railroad. He worked in offices between Greensboro, North Carolina and Atlanta, Georgia. He died in High Point, North Carolina on 9 February 1982.
11. Henry Thomas Smothers was born on 13 October 1905 and became the most traveled of the Smothers family. He graduated from Oak Ridge Military Institute and later became a civil engineer. He worked in the East Indies and later in Australia where he spent most of his career. He worked for the Fluor Corporation, a giant worldwide construction company. He retired to Cocoa Beach, Florida where he died 17 April 1995.
12. Fred E. Smothers was born 19 December 1908 and was the author of the Smothers manuscript. For many years he was employed as a safety engineer for the Tennessee Valley Authority at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He returned to North Carolina ca. 1952 and was in the insurance business in High Point and later in Fayetteville. After he retired, he and his wife moved to Reidsville. In a serious tractor accident, he lost his arm and a leg and was confined to a wheelchair the remainder of his life. He began to write the manuscript in June 1976 following the accident. He died 4 May 1980 and was buried in the Mount Carmel United Methodist Church Cemetery. He married Lettie Ellington (1902-1982), a daughter of John Edward Ellington (1887-1948) and Nannie Bet Saunders (1880-1960). Nannie Bet may have been raised by an Atkins family since she sometimes went by that name.

13. See note number 1 for the origin of the name "Nubbin Ridge". No evidence has been found that dates the name earlier than the 1880s.
14. Mr. Smothers' grandfather, J. P. Smothers, served as a blacksmith for the Confederate Army. Fatback was the hog meat which people used to season their home grown vegetables. By the end of the Civil War, many southern families were at the point of starvation. By 1850 Cincinnati, Ohio had become the "hog capital" of the country. The city was nicknamed "Porkopolis". After the war Cincinnati had plenty of fatback or, as it was called by some people, "Cincinnati Chicken". It seems doubtful that Rockingham County residents would have driven wagons to Ohio to buy fatback. It seems more likely that they would have picked up the meat at some railroad depot in Virginia.
15. Fred Smothers is probably talking about the "new" Sharon School. The first Sharon School stood across the road from the Sharon Church Cemetery. In February 1917 this building burned to the ground and a "new" Sharon School was built on the site of the present Sharon Church parsonage.
16. The "new" Sharon School was closed in 1924 when the new Bethany Consolidated School was opened for the students living in the area.
17. Thelma Wooten and Sarah Gwynn were teachers probably from the Reidsville area. They were the teachers when Sharon School burned in 1917. Audrey Barber was the daughter of George E. Barber, a prominent Reidsville contractor. The Barbers lived in a nice home still standing on Richardson Drive in Reidsville. George E. Barber helped build the Thomas H. Smothers home in the Sharon Community during the years 1917-1918. Sallie Bennett (1875-1952) and Mamie Bennett (1863-1939) were single school teachers who grew up on the north edge of Reidsville. They were the daughters of James H. "Courts" Bennett and his wife Mary Lou Holderby Bennett. The Bennett sisters would sometimes spend the night with the Samuel Gunn family in the Sharon area according to the late Artie Gunn.
18. Norman and Avery Butler were the sons of J. Will Butler (15 April 1875-26 March 1961) and his first wife Elizabeth Carter (1877-1904). She was the daughter of Turner Carter and she married J. Will Butler on 18 May 1900. Norman was born on 30 November 1902 and served in the United States Navy where one of his shipmates and friends was the late Arthur Godfrey of radio and television fame. Butler settled in Crestline, Ohio and became an engineer on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He also owned a rock quarry near Crestline. He died on 24 July 1973 and was buried at Sharon Church Cemetery. His brother, Avery Butler, migrated to Washington D. C. where he established himself in the restaurant business. He was born on 19 December 1904 and died on 1 December 1955 and was buried in Sharon Church Cemetery. Norman and Avery also had a sister, Nannie, who married Frank Pritchett of Guilford County. The Butler's mother died in 1904 and on 4 February 1911 their father married Daisy Garrison. Two children were born to this

union, Jessie (Albert) and Claudia (Carter). The J. Will Butler home still stands on Iron Works Road, a short distance east of Sharon Church. J. Will Butler was a son of John S. Butler and grandson of Thomas Butler who moved to the Sharon area in 1858 from Caswell County, North Carolina. (Information from Margaret McCollum Butler, January 2005)

19. Paul, Roy, Artie and "Tolar" Gunn were the children of Samuel E. "Buddy" Gunn and his wife Alice Lewey Gunn (1870-1950) who were married on 18 December 1888. "Buddy" was born on 24 September 1868 in the "Gunntown" community south of Wentworth. He was a son of Nat. W. Gunn (1844-1905) and his wife Martha Dowell (1843-1905). "Buddy" and Alice had five children: Pearl M. Gunn (1890-1979) married Shippie Martin Moore in 1913, nine children; Paul B. (1896-1976) married Zula Alexander (1889-1976) in 1916, two sons; Ettolia "Toler" Gunn (1904-1999) married John S. Hudson (1888-1973) in 1938, no children; Roy E. Gunn (1907-1984) married Alvarie Carroll in 1932, no children; and Artie L. Gunn (1911-2004) married Gladys Taylor (1917-presently living) in 1939, one daughter, Shirley Gunn, a Baptist Missionary. The Gunn farm was at the end of Troublesome Road and was part of the Lewey land. "Buddy's" wife inherited this land. (Information from Wayne Gunn's History of the Gunn Family) "Buddy" served as one of the magistrates for the Simpsonville Township at various times during the early 1900s.
20. Bob, Dewey, Tom, John, Essie, and Mamie Hudson were the children of John Wesley Hudson (1855-1932) and Sarah Farrar Hudson (1860-1927) who were married on 27 December 1881. Robert M. "Bob" Hudson (died 1980) married Rhoda Moore and lived in the Monroeton community on Highway 158; Dewey Hudson married Sallie Brown and they moved to Winston Salem; Thomas K. Hudson (1892-1966) married Pattie Miller (1901-1993) and raised a large family on a farm off the Iron Works Road; John S. Hudson 1880-1973) married "Toler" Gunn and lived on Troublesome Road where they owned a large farm, no children; Essie Hudson married Lawrence Everette and for many years played the piano and organ at Sharon Baptist Church; and Mamie Hudson (1886-1915) married J. F. Farrington. The old Wesley Hudson home still stands behind the Wade Hudson home on Troublesome Road.
21. Jack, Russell and Lonnie Shreve were the sons of Robert H. "Bob" Shreve (1860-1927) who married Sallie Wyrick on 1 February 1885. Sallie died on 18 May 1910 at age 41 years and was buried at Sharon Church Cemetery. The Shreve farm was located on the Iron Works Road on the east side of the Thomas H. Smothers farm. Jack Shreve left the farm early in life, first working in Virginia and then migrating to Alliance, Ohio and becoming an engineer on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He served in World War I. He married Ruth Oswalt and they had a daughter, Betty, who married Ed Bieri of Alliance. She assisted with these notes before her death on 9 September 2004. Russell "Doll" Shreve also moved north and became an engineer on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He met with an untimely death in the

Canton, Ohio railroad yards. Lonnie "Pete" Shreve moved to Alexandria, Virginia where he operated a Texaco Service Station and his customers included several congressmen. He was born on 28 March 1908 and died 3 May 1944 and was buried at Sharon Church Cemetery. Other Shreve children not mentioned by Fred Smothers included: Clara M., Saliie B. (Gwynn), Samuel, Roland, Eugene and Jesse. The Bob Shreve homeplace was later owned by Otha Small.

22. Dave, Rob, Numa, Chal, Reba and Ruby Woollen were the children of Charles Wesley "Wes" Woollen (1853-1936) and Catherine Lucinda Lewey Woollen (1866-1936). His wife was a sister of "Buddy" Gunn's wife Alice Lewey. "Wes" Woollen was a farmer and blacksmith as had been his father, David M. Woollen. David M. Woollen had established his shop at the intersection of the Iron Works Road and Woollen Store Road in 1847. His son "Wes" continued the blacksmith tradition. The following paragraph contains information on the children of "Wes" and Catherine Lucinda's children.

David Woollen (1893-1965) continued the tradition of blacksmithing and he married Bess Joyce and the couple settled on her property now covered by Belews Lake in western Rockingham County. The couple had no children. Robert Woollen born 23 September 1898 was quite an adventurer. He worked as a brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad where he suffered a severe leg injury. No longer able to perform hard labor, he ventured into the automobile business and later had a restaurant in Alliance, Ohio. He later found his true love, flying. His initial tutor in flying was Doug Davis of the Cleveland Air Race fame. He returned to the South and continued his barnstorming career. He was killed in a flying accident on 8 September 1925. He was buried at Sharon Church Cemetery. Numa Woollen also moved north and became an engineer on the Pennsylvania Railroad and located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He retired in 1967 after working for the railroad 43 years and returned to the Sharon Church area where he died in 1973 at age 71. He and his wife, Hazel Durham, had five children. Chalmers G. "Chal" Woollen (1904-1994) was a long time country merchant on the Iron Works Road where it intersected with the Woollen Store Road. He also owned a large farm in the area. He and his wife Clede Griffin Woollen reared three daughters. Chal Woollen and Fred Smothers were great friends and fishing buddies. Reba Woollen (1890-1982) married Wesley Floyd Garrison of the Sharon Church area and they migrated to Alliance, Ohio where he became an engineer on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Reba was a housewife and an excellent seamstress. During World War II, she was hired by the Taylor Craft Airplane factory to sew a portion of the airplane wings. Later the Garrisons returned to the Sharon Church area and settled on a portion of the Woollen land. The couple had two sons, Eugene and W. Floyd Garrison. Both helped to compile these notes. Ruby C. Woollen (1888-1967) never married and lived her entire life at the old Woollen home place of her father and grandfather. She was an excellent cook and preferred indoor work as opposed to farm work. She was the last member of the family to reside in the old homeplace purchased by her

grandfather, David M. Woollen in 1847. The house is now falling into ruins.

23. The Garrisons were: Burgess (1885-1971), Willie (1895-1974), Wesley F. (1895-1961), Claudia and Daisy who was the second wife of J. Will Butler. Wesley F., mentioned in the last note, served in World War I in France. The other Garrisons never ventured far from their birthplace in the Sharon Church area.
24. The King boys, Archie, Russell and Marvin, were sons of Numa Y. King (1884-1945) and Annie Jones King (1888-1972). Numa was the son of Yancey H. King of the Sandy Cross Community and his wife Annie Elizabeth Gunn. Annie King was the daughter of Robert M. and Annie Harris of the Baker's Cross Roads area. Archie King and his brother Russell moved to Winston-Salem and were in the service station business. Marvin King moved to Greensboro and worked in the textile industry. Other King siblings not mentioned by Fred Smothers included: Garrett, Albert, Myrtle Pearson, Bessie Adkins, Annie Sweeten, Daniel and Dorothy Shreve.
25. The Smalls mentioned in the manuscript were probably the family of David P. Small who lived on the Iron Works Road between the Bob Shreve home and "Chal" Woollen's Store. D. P. Small married Sallie E. Williams on 27 December 1888 according to their marriage license. However, family tradition says that she was really named Sallie King. (Tradition from Ada Green, 28 June 1976)
26. One of the Lemons was W. Joyner Lemons (1906-1992) who was a son of James Lemons. Joyner was a cousin of Fred Smothers since his father and Fred's mother were brother and sister. It appears that James Lemons was a native of the Sharon area but had lived in Guilford County for years before he returned to the Sharon area.
27. "Toler" Gunn Hudson was the daughter of "Buddy" Gunn. See note number 19. Nannie Small was the last child born to David P. Small and his wife Sarah E. King "Williams".
28. Norman Butler is mentioned in note number 18 and Numa Woollen is mentioned in note number 22.
29. The use of basements to bring cured tobacco "into order" so it could be tied into bundles without crumbling did not come into widespread use until ca. 1900. Before the use of basements, the cured tobacco was allowed to "come into order" in the barn during "a season" of rainy weather. Several barns (curings) of tobacco could be stored in a barn.
30. Many rural people in the South still eat "dinner" at 12:00 p.m. and "supper" between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m.

31. Farmers in Rockingham County sold most of their tobacco at the local auction tobacco markets of Reidsville, Madison and Stoneville all of which opened in the 1870s with Reidsville being the oldest market. Leaksville once had a tobacco market but with the growth of the textile industry in that area, the Leaksville market was closed. Some farmers sold their up-the-stalk heavier leaf tobacco for better prices at the markets of Winston-Salem and Danville, Virginia. Prior to World War I, tobacco was harvested by cutting the entire plant at one time.
32. Only a decade ago, millions of pounds of tobacco were sold each year in the three local tobacco markets in Rockingham County but today all the markets are closed. Stoneville was the first to close in the fall of 1997. Then in 2001 the Reidsville market was closed and the Madison market ceased operations in 2004. The U. S. Congress passed a tobacco buy out program in 2004 that resulted in a total change in the way tobacco will be produced in the future.
33. Each tobacco market had three or four different warehouses where tobacco was sold. Farmers were free to choose which warehouse they preferred to sell with. Watt's Warehouse, also known as Leader's Warehouse, was located on the north side of Gilmer Street in Reidsville. The warehouse stood West of the old First National Bank (now Piedmont Natural Gas Company) and was built between 1885 and 1890. Retail stores occupied the street level portion of the building and the tobacco sales area was on the second level. In January 1922 the roof of Watt's Warehouse collapsed after a 14-inch snowfall and the building was torn down. See Reidsville Review 3 February 1922. The Whitsett family built a large building on the site of Watt's Warehouse which was last occupied by J. C. Penney. The building was demolished several years ago. Today the area is a vacant lot.
34. It is not clear which Mr. Burton operated the grocery store under Watt's Warehouse.
35. It was a common practice for rural boys to make some "pen money" by catching rabbits and shooting squirrels to sell or trade to town merchants who in turn sold the animals to their town customers.
36. "Miss" Cornie Irvin (1863-1950) was a Burnett from "Burnett Town" on the western edge of Reidsville. Her parents were Henry B. Burnett (1834-1892) and Annie Lyle Burnett (1839-1928). Henry Burnett developed an early subdivision of farm land adjoining the west end of Reidsville, thus the name "Burnett Town". Over time that name was forgotten and the area became known as the "West End". Cornie Burnett married Walter J. Irvin, Jr. (1867-1950) on 3 November 1889. The Irvins had one child, Walter J. Irvin, Jr. (1898-1981). Miss Cornie worked in a millinery shop in Reidsville for a number of years and in the fall of 1907 she opened her own store on the corner of South Main and Gilmer Streets. Some years later she moved her business to a building on South Scales Street that later became The Hazel Shop. The business was next door to the Scott's Dime Store which the Irvins built for the Scott's Company.

37. Miss Minnie Jones has not been identified.
38. The Trent Store located in the "West End" of Reidsville was located at the intersection of Lindsey and Vance Streets. The two-story, white-pressed brick building was built by G. M. Trent in 1909. The store was operated as Trent and Trent. Sometime later, the Trents' drayman gave away so many groceries that the Trents were forced into bankruptcy. The building which is still standing was later occupied by the McCoy Plumbing Company.
39. The old Sharon School burned in 1917 and a new school was built across the road on the site of the present Sharon Church parsonage. (See note number 15)
40. This site has not been identified.
41. Mary Smothers Holloway identified the site of the Sally and Susie house as being near the home of Mrs. Jessie Butler Albert. The women later lived in an old house near Ed Small's home on Almond Road. She said the women later went to the country home in Wentworth where they died.
42. In that period the county schools only consisted of seven grades and to attend high school the country students had to go to school in town. However, Bethany High School was established in 1912 so it is unknown why the Smothers children went to Reidsville High unless Bethany was not a fully accredited school in its early years.
43. Amos Butler (died in 1987 at age 80) was a son of Edward Butler and his wife Elizabeth Rodgers Butler (1884-1924). Ed Butler's farm was off the Iron Works Road about one mile west of the Iron Works Mill. Amos Butler later moved to Reidsville where he became the local agent for Farm Bureau Insurance and later had a milling business. Amos' siblings included Isabelle (single), John L. Butler, Annie Bennett, Thelma and Wilmer.
44. Alton, Erma and Leesel Rodgers were the children of James S. Rodgers (1870-1963) and Kate Stewart (2882-1965) who were married on 6 January 1904. Alton B. Rodgers (1904-1976) moved to Maryland and became a real estate agent. Erma Lee Rodgers (1906-1987) never married and lived at her father's homeplace. She was the secretary with the Kearns-Thompson Realty and Insurance Company in Reidsville for many years. Her life centered around the activities at Sharon Baptist Church. Her sister Leesel married Herbert S. Mace, the owner of a Reidsville jewelry store. She died in March 2000 at age 87. Other Rodgers siblings not mentioned in the Smothers manuscript were James S. Rodgers, Jr. who became the owner of the Rodgers' farm; Mrs. J. M. Lester; Mrs. A. G. Frerotte of Virginia; and Mrs. Charles H. Saunders of Florida. An interesting story concerning the Rodgers has been passed down in the family. It seems that John W. Carter and Isabelle Simpson (1841-1909) were married in March 1860. In August of that year John

Carter purchased the 252 acre farm of Robert T. Williams who was later hung for the murder of Peggy Isley. Later, John W. Carter and his friend James Rodgers entered the Confederate Army and John told Rodgers "to look after his wife and children if anything happened to him during the war". John W. Carter served in the 5th Regiment Cavalry, Company D. and died of disease on 3 August 1864. James Rodgers served in the 13th Regiment Company I and was paroled at Appomattox Court House on 9 April 1865. On 24 December 1866 he made good on his promise to look after his friend's family by marrying Isabella Simpson Carter. He also came into possession of the 252 acre farm. The two Carter children whom Rodgers reared were "Big" John R. Carter 1864-1928) and Isabelle Carter (1862-1937) who married Thomas K. Shreve on 11 December 1881. Thomas Shreve was a brother of Bob Shreve mentioned earlier in these notes and of John R. "Bud" Shreve. Isabelle Simpson Carter Rodgers had the following children by James Rodgers: Fannie Rodgers (1880-1950); Elizabeth Rodgers (1884-1924) married Edward Butler; Annie Rodgers (1880-1960) married Thomas Carter (1881-1930); Alice Rodgers married J. A. Dixon; and Eleanor Rodgers married Ed Small. (Rodgers Family tradition from Julia Carter King and Margaret McCollum Butler)

45. Clara and Lola Smith have not been identified.
46. Bethany Consolidated School was built in 1924 and a number of smaller community schools were closed when the new Bethany school opened.
47. Watson D. Lambeth was born 22 March 1899 in the Monticello-Brown Summit area of Guilford County. He was a son of William D. Lambeth and Betty Lou Watson Lambeth. His grandparents were Hugh Lindsay Patrick Watson (1842-1927), a Confederate veteran, and Celestia V. Rankin Watson. His great-grandmother was Margaret Patrick Watson who was a sister of Dr. Hugh L. Patrick of Monroeton in Rockingham County. Watson Lambeth later left the Bethany School area and lived in Mebane, North Carolina. He died on 23 March 1977 and was buried at the Monticello Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery in Guilford County.
48. Lettie Ellington (1907-1982) was the daughter of John Edward Ellington and Nannie Bet Saunders (Atkins) who were married on 9 December 1899. Also see note number 12.
49. John E. Ellington was Fred's father-in-law. (See note numbers 12 and 48)
50. The job was to make sure that the Imperial Tobacco Company received all the tobacco which their buyer had purchased at the warehouse auction sale.
51. Kiker and Yount was a Reidsville company which did general highway construction across the State of North Carolina. The founder, William Black Kiker, was born in Anson County, North Carolina on 11 July 1885. He graduated from Duke

University and began his career working in railroad construction in Mexico and Florida. Around 1918 he came to Rockingham County to oversee road construction for the county. After the state took over road construction in the early 1930s, he formed Kiker and Yount and continued the business until his death on 11 April 1953. The Younts of Kiker and Yount specialized in the building of bridges. Mr. Kiker married Blannie Berry and the couple had three daughters. They lived in Reidsville.

52. Bob Pollitt and his wife Agnes Minor Pollitt lived on North Main Street in Reidsville in 1935.
53. Numa A. Winstead was born in Rockingham County on 7 September 1883, the son of William H. and Mary S. Godwin Winstead. In the early 1900s Numa worked in the office of the Frank R. Penn Tobacco Company in Reidsville. From 1920-1923 he was the Rockingham County Auditor. In the mid-1930s he was the law clerk for local attorney P. W. Glidewell and he served as a magistrate with his office in the city municipal building for over 35 years. He married Ollie Shreve Smith who operated a small cafe known as The Pantry Shelf on Scales Street. The couple had one son, Mike Winstead. Numa died on 13 April 1955 and was buried in Reidlawn Cemetery. (See Reidsville Review, 13 April 1955)
54. The W. P. A. was the Works Progress Administration that provided jobs building highways, streets, bridges and parks as part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal. It was one of Roosevelt's programs to bring America out of the Depression. Congress established the program in 1935 and it provided many jobs for the unemployed until the beginning of World War II.
55. Miss Lona Glidewell (29 January 1888-12 September 1960) was the daughter of Rev. Cabel W. Glidewell and Amada L. Rierson Glidewell of Stokes County and who later moved to Rockingham County. She served as the third Superintendent of Public Welfare in Rockingham County in the early 1930s. She was a sister of Reidsville attorney Powell W. Glidewell, Sr. and for years served as his stenographer. Her brother served as State Senator for Rockingham County in 1919-1920.
56. John A. Womack was a son of Francis Womack (1865-1939) and Mamie Salzman Womack. Francis was born in Pittsboro, North Carolina and moved to Reidsville in 1888. He also had a brother, James C. Womack, who came to Reidsville. The Womack brothers were not akin to the other Womacks who lived in Reidsville. Francis and his wife had two children, John A. and May Womack who died in 1918. John moved to High Point where he died in 1989.
57. Mrs. Wilson was Georgia Keiger Wilson who was born in Stokes County on 14 August 1891. She was the daughter of John Wesley Keiger (1849-1920) and Martha Schaub Keiger. She married John Lee Wilson of the Intelligence

Community in Rockingham County during 1919. She served as Superintendent of the Rockingham County Public Welfare Office from ca. 1935 until her death on 8 February 1956. The Wilsons had two children: Beverly who married Richard Robertson of Eden and Shirley S. Wilson who was the football coach at Duke University. (See Stokes County Heritage Book, Vol. I, Page 318)

58. In 1935 Ruth Duffy was living at 230 Piedmont Street in Reidsville. No other information is available about Ms. Duffy.
59. The Knight Apartments may have had two locations in Reidsville, one on Lindsey Street and the other on North Main Street. The Smothers lived in the Lindsey Street apartments.
60. T. "Lytt" Gardner was born 23 November 1883 to William L. and Mary C. Blair Gardner. His family moved from five miles north of town to Reidsville in 1900. In 1908 he obtained his pharmacist's license and he and Henry E. Link established Gardner Drug Company. "Lytt" continued the drugstore business until ca. 1938 when he sold out to the sons of his partner. In 1916 he was elected as the Sheriff of Rockingham County and in 1928 he was reelected to the same office. He was the only Republican to hold that office in modern times. He died in March 1972 at age 88.
61. The Butler brothers, see note number 18.
62. The Shreve brothers, see note number 21.
63. See note number 19 for information on Samuel "Buddy" Gunn.
64. The curing of flue-cured tobacco went through many changes during the last half of the Twentieth Century. From the 1880s until the 1940s, most tobacco was cured in log barns heated by wood fired rock flues (furnaces). In the 1940s and 1950s many log and the newer frame tobacco barns were adapted to cure tobacco with oil burners. Then in the 1960s and 1970s many old log and frame tobacco barns were abandoned and a new system of curing in metal bulk barns came into widespread use. A few "stick barns" continued in use using oil burners into the early 1990s.
65. Log tobacco barn raisings were fairly common in the 1920s and 1930s but by the 1940s they were rare.
66. Community corn shuckings were also becoming rare by the 1950s.
67. For information on the Hudsons see note number 20.
68. See note number 18 for information on J. Will Butler.

69. In the early 1930s, large numbers of rural people in America still did not have electric power. The same applied to a large portion of Rockingham County. In the early 1900s, Charles Kettering of Dayton, Ohio (a co-founder of the Delco Company) invented the automatic Delco Light generator which brought lights to thousands of families across the country. In the 1920s and 1930s, a few well-to-do farmers in Rockingham County purchased Delco Lighting plants for their homes. The lighting system was run by a gasoline engine which ran a generator that stored energy in six or eight glass cased batteries. When the energy ran low, the engine was started to recharge the batteries. The system produced 32-volt direct current electricity which was carried into the house by two wires. Each room was wired to provide lights. A washing machine or churn and a few other appliances could be purchased to operate on a 32-volt system. The Delco plant was usually located in a small frame building adjoining the house. Some rural areas of Rockingham got power in the mid to late 1930s but some people had to wait until after the end of World War II. Some isolated areas of the country did not receive power until the 1950s. (Delco information from Jimmy Waynick of Reidsville, North Carolina)

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This photograph of the Eagle Falls house was taken ca. 1880s. The house was erected ca.1825 by Robert Gallaway and was later owned by the Carters who were Gallaway descendents. The photograph appeared in Lettie Carter Mebane's booklet, *Child Life on the Old Plantation*.

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The last days of Eagle Falls. This photograph was made ca. 1950, several years before the house was demolished.

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EAGLE FALLS PLANTATION LIFE BEFORE THE CIVIL WAR

by
Charles D. Rodenbough

In July 1963, Anne Carter Freeze (Mrs. Baxter Freeze) of High Point, sent me an original copy of a small booklet that has been produced by her grandmother, Lettie Carter Mebane, about 1900-05. I made a copy and then placed the original in the Madison Public Library. I had discovered the plantation house called "Eagle Falls" too late. It had been taken down about five years earlier, however, I was about to obtain from Mr. L. P. Rakestraw, then the owner of what was left of the plantation, a mantel from one of the main rooms. I intended to use it some time in my house but in conjunction with the restoration of Wright Tavern, I donated the mantel and it was installed in the front parlor. It is all that remains of the almost mythical home that Lettie Carter Mebane recalls as "The Old Plantation."

Stylistically, this is an unusually fine example of the Southern version of the Victorian memoir. It is the very refined writing of a lady about her childhood which she recalls as idyllic and gone forever. In her effort to commit to memory in this form, she writes in another period, that of Reconstruction in the South. We read it today after another hundred years of further social change. For some, even, the reading might be offensive, however, it contains too much social commentary to be ignored. It is one of the few records we have in Rockingham County of daily plantation life on the Dan River; one of the only records of the arrival of the Union Army at the end of the war; a unique record of the religious education of blacks by their white owners; commentary on carriage travel across North Carolina and the enthusiasm of children with a visit to Old Salem.

I cannot read the monograph without shades of "Gone With the Wind," but my training in study in American history makes me quickly recognize that throughout, Lettie Carter Mebane uses the more benign term "servant" when she is really speaking of a slave. "Uncle Wash" and "Aunt Ibbey" have her own version of events that we never hear. Lettie extolls them as "those old servants," and asks, "was there ever anything to compare with[their devotion]?" We have to wonder if, when Aunt Ibbey was directed to find roots and herbs to die their dresses so that "her children" would not be sad and humiliated when they put them on, she didn't really say under her breath, "get over it girls, times are hard for us all." What were Nash and Henry's real feelings as they were directed to dig bait so the white children could fish?

All considered, however, it does seem that in the case of "Eagle Falls" but it was an unusually high degree of mutual respect and interdependence within a legally set social structure of freedom and slavery. The text gives two significant examples. First, Lettie's mother and grandmother appear to recognize a focused responsibility as Christians to provide their Negroes with

Bible Training. This was at a time when there were laws against educating blacks although those laws were frequently ignored. Note that Uncle Isaac, the carriage driver had passed on to his sons, Rawley and Uncle Wash, the Uncle Remus tales of Brer Rabbit and Brer Fox and they had no reservation in being the source for these childhood stories for the children of their white masters. Second, note that in the end many of the servants remained after they were told by Union soldier, what they probably already knew, that they were free to leave the plantation. Certainly many stayed because it was the only life that they knew and they did have some personal satisfaction in having earned responsibilities.

Recognize also that this is a maternal version of the times. Mother and grandmother are ever present but only occasionally is father involved in the narrative, and then only by his presence, not by his influence on events. This may be part a reflection that Lettie's father, William Franklin Carter died prematurely in 1856 and it was 1859 before her widowed mother married her late husband's brother, Dr. Jesse Carter.

Lettie Carter was born July 22, 1852 so she was only four when her father died. Her second brother, William Franklin Carter, Jr., was not born until six months after the death of her father. There was a shadow of melancholy over this family at "Eagle Falls" which may be perceived in the narrative. Lettie was thirteen when the Civil War ended. Very likely she was sent to Edgeworth Academy in Greensboro. Although it was a time when educational institutions were hard-pressed to remain open, it is obvious in her writing that she received a thorough education. She married William Nelson Mebane, Jr., October 25, 1871. He was the son of the late Rev. William Nelson Mebane, minister at the Spring Garden and Madison Presbyterian Churches. Lettie and William, Jr., thus grew up in close association. Both were members of the Wentworth Presbyterian Church when they were married.

William N. Mebane had enlisted in Company H, 13th North Carolina Regiment in October 1861 while he was still a student at the University of North Carolina and, in the course of the war, he became an officer. He became a lawyer and the family made Wentworth their home. He was a partner of Hugh Reid Scott. William Mebane was elected to the North Carolina House of Representatives from Rockingham in 1874, and in 1875 to the Senate but resigned effective September 1, 1877. About the Spring of 1894, the family moved to Madison and occupied the home between Madison and Mayodan that William's minister father had originally built. He was appointed judge of the Superior Court on November 9, 1894 by Governor Carr but he died April 22, 1895 having served less than six months. Judge Mebane and his wife, Lettie had five sons, William Nelson III, David Cummings, Gallaway, Frank Carter, Robert Jesse, and daughters Ann Wilson and Hettie J., who died in Madison at 21. . Like her mother, grandmother and great grandmother before her, Ann Mebane, "Miss Annie", provided Sunday School at her house for "colored children in the neighborhood."² In 1898, Lettie moved her family to Greensboro where she died.

In their old age, Dr. Jesse and Cora Isora Carter also moved into Madison

to be nearer to Lettie and her family. They boarded for a time at the McGehee Hotel.³ Their son, Cecil Carter, was a doctor in Madison and married Mary Bledsoe. After their infant daughter died in 1895 he took the position as doctor at the mill in Mayodan. Dr. Jesse Carter died in 1890 and Cora in 1897 and both were returned to "Eagle Falls"⁴ to be buried with William Franklin Carter who by then had been dead forty years. The plantation was sold to John M. Galloway.

Even in its ruined state, "Eagle Falls" could be described in 1950. "The central portion has two large rooms with entrance hall and chaperon's room and stairway; on the second floor, two rooms with stairway, and two large beautifully furnished rooms on the third floor. There are five tall chimneys and a basement with stone walls under the entire house. Wings are on each end with a large room in each. A kitchen and dining room were in the T at the back. An antique decoration adorned the eaves. The rooms have high ceilings, elaborately hand-carved mantles (sic), each of a different design. Wainscoating (sic) - much of it now removed - was on all the walls. In the garden are giant box bushes and flowering shrubs."⁵

CHILD LIFE ON THE OLD PLANTATION

By Mrs. William Nelson Mebane
(Lefty Carter)

As in memory, I stand on the long front piazza of the old home, I call Rawley the butler to throw wide open the door, and I invite you, with the Southern hospitality to which I was born, to come with me into the house at "Eagle Falls."⁶ I wish you to become acquainted with the inmates and learn from them how happy were the children in the "Old Plantation" before the war. Methinks I hear Rawley saying aside to aunt `Tildy in the hall as he opens the door, "What's de reason Miss Cora didn't tell us all dis here strange company wuz er comin', so we could er had de house all primped up for um." Whilst my mother was considered one of the most elegant housekeepers in all this section of our South Land, yet she did not make our childhood unhappy by causing us to feel that we had broken one of the "Ten Commandments" when we played throughout the house, we did not stop to set in its proper place each chair as we went. Of course there were mammy Ibby and Emmie, our nurse, besides aunt `Tildy, the head housemaid, who came after us, to put everything straight, thus keeping the house in such perfect order that I do not think at any time Rawley need hesitate to invite strange company in, fearing that the appearance of the house should in any way cast a reflection on our mother's reputation as a housekeeper.

Should you on entering begin to compare this dear old house with the architecture of modern times, you may perhaps think it somewhat old-fashioned and out of style, and so it is, as the original house was built soon after the Revolutionary Period,⁷ but numerous rooms, passages and porches having been added, it might well be called a rambling house; and what style of architecture is more interesting to children than this? Of all the rooms in the house, perhaps the attic had more attractions for the children than any other, for in this apartment there were stored so many quaint old chests and hair covered trunks, the contents of which told such interesting stories of "the long ago." How delighted we were when Emmie, our much loved nurse, who, wishing to give us a special treat, would take us up in this attic to roam around in a regular exploring expedition. I remember the old chest which had a special fascination for me. It was a long wooden box, with a cushion on top having a valance to hang around the sides. Emmie called it "the taborette (sic)."⁸ With a manner almost reverential, she would lift the lid of this box and let us look in, there to see, laid smooth and straight, a beautiful white satin dress, which she would tell us was the wedding dress of our mother's dearly loved sister, who, having married, had gone to Mississippi to live and had died there whilst she was so young and beautiful.¹⁰ Then, in another chest, we found a silk hat, which Emmie told us belonged to our father, who had died when some of us were so small we could scarcely recollect him.¹¹ In that same chest, she showed us the last colored dress our mother had worn whilst watching by our father's bedside during his last illness. These things were, of course, very interesting to us, and seemed almost sacred. What old Southern home has not one of these dear old attics?

As you are wandering through this house, you will notice that there is no *small* parlor with sitting room nearby, with folding doors between which are to be thrown open when there is a large company to be entertained; but the *one* room in this house known as the *parlor*, or, as old uncle Isaac used to call it, "de drawing room," was so spacious that the *one only* was needed to entertain the largest number of guests which ever assembled at these Southern country homes. Oh! What a grand room we children thought that was, with its massive mahogany furniture, beautiful damask and lace curtains, its elegant brussels(sic) carpet of dark green coloring studded with bouquets of bright colored roses. Then there was the large square piano, our mother's satinwood guitar, and around the walls hung the portraits of our family going back to our great grandmother.¹² For us, none of these portraits had the same charm, as did the one of our beautiful aunt, in dark silk dress, with flowing curls of rich brown hair falling over her snowy neck, the same aunt of whose wedding dress I have made mention. Then there were handsome oil paintings, wax work of fruit and flowers enclosed in huge glass cases, and embroidered ottomans and foot-stools, the handiwork of our mother and aunt in their girlhood days. All of these things with the brightly polished brasses in the large open fireplace, and the silver candlesticks with the wax candles, made it, to us, a very beautiful place. When visitors were expected, what a delight it was to us, to go in with Rawley and see him kindle that huge wood fire. Oh! The glory of that light, shining from that blazing fire, casting such a cheerful glow throughout the whole room; how we enjoyed it, but we could not stay and admire it as long as we wished, for, after brushing the hearth scrupulously clean, Rawley would say, "Now chillins dis here room is done ready fur de company, you better cum on and go longer wid me in t'other part of de house, and not stay in here tumbling up de things."

Having our relatives and friends from a distance come to make us a visit, was quite a happy event in the household. This home of which I write was situated on a high hill overlooking the beautiful river of the Day which was spanned by a bridge just in front, and in full view of the house.¹³ Soon after crossing the bridge, the road forked, one being the regular baggage road,¹⁴ the other the private road which led up to our front gate at the foot of the hill. Well do I remember the excitement it would cause when one of the little house negroes would run in and say "Mistress dars a big kerridge coming up de road; hits done turned in and is coming up towards de front gate." Oh the bustle there would be inside the house, whilst the carriage was winding its way around the large circle of cedars up to the front door. Each child calling for mammy lbby or Emmie to come quick and wash my face and smooth my hair as every child wished to be in readiness to go with our grandmother and mother¹⁵ to the carriage door, to give our guests the cordial welcome which we each felt in our hearts.

After the company was made comfortable and they were all busily talking with our grandmother, we would slip out to the kitchen to hear our mother talking with aunt Gatty, the cook, about the extra good things which she wished to have prepared for supper. With such a cook as aunt Gatty, where,

as on this plantation there was no need whatsoever of counting the cost, our fare was always of the very best; but we knew that when company came there would be some little *extras* in which we were much interested. From the kitchen we would go to the dining room to see Rawley set the table for supper, for we knew he would put an extra polish on the mahogany table and put out the daintiest thread mats, thinnest, finest china and cut glass, and we knew that in the silver cake baskets there would be thin-rolled, sweet wafers and snow ball cakes, and in a large glass dish there would be green citron preserves cut in beautiful shapes and figures, the work of our mother; then in addition the more substantial food, such as boiled chicken, grated ham, Yorkshire bread, beaten biscuits, waffles and perhaps puff muffins, with ice cream to be brought later on in a large cut-glass bowl. When this was all in readiness and Rawley in his apron of spotless white and the smaller dining servants, Nash and Henry,¹⁶ with the long fly brushes of peacock's feathers were engaged in scaring away a stray fly which might be tempted to alight on these dainty viands, and the wax candles were lighted in the tall silver candle sticks, we knew the time had come to ring the bell for supper. With what pride and pleasure we watched the guests walk in from the parlor and take their seats at the table knowing they could not fail to be pleased with our mother's housekeeping and with aunt Gatty's cooking. When all were through supper, and after the servants had partaken heartily of the good things which were left, we would go with aunt Tildy, the head house maid, and enjoy seeing her make fresh and sweet the guest chambers for our friends. How we loved to see her take from the chest the snowy bed linen, so sweetly scented with rose leaves (which had been gathered from grandma's extensive garden) and arrange the beds, which looked so sweet and inviting, after she had finished, for she knew just how to give all the dainty, *finishing touches* to a room, such as looping back with blue ribbon the dainty muslin curtains which hung not only at the windows, but from the tall posts of the bed as well. Oh! How much there was to interest us on that Old Plantation. Was there anything to mar our pleasure in those happy days with so many things of interest and such pleasant surroundings everywhere? Yes, the same thing which is dreaded by all children, and that was the school room.

Our mother, of course, the wise woman that she was, knew that it was time for our education to begin, so she had a sweet lady come as governess and teach us in the office in the yard. With so many attractions as we had outside, I suspect she had a right difficult task to keep our eyes and attention on books. Of the ladies we had at different times in our family as governess, the one we loved dearest of all was a lovely lady from Vermont.¹⁷ She was indeed a wonderful woman. Had I the space, there is much I could tell of her that would be of the greatest interest: how her sympathies were all with the South during the Civil War, and although she had brothers in the Federal army who at different times secured a pass for her through the lines and urged her in every way to return to the North to her home and her mother whom she loved devotedly, yet she would not leave us to go. She had a strict sense of justice, and had lived in the South long enough to see things and

conditions just as they were.

But I must hasten on to tell something of the out-door sports and occupations of the children on this Old Plantation. What could strike delight more directly in our childish hearts than to have our mother on a bright Saturday morning in April tell Nash and Henry to go out and get some bait, that she was going with us to the creek (not far in the rear of the house) to fish for minnows and perch. What fun it was to watch these little fish carry our corks of the fishing tackle out of sight under the water and then to jerk them out of the water and see Nash string them on a willow switch for us. After we were tired of fishing, if it was warm, our mother would allow us to wade in the clear sparkling water of the creek in places where the water was not deep or dangerous. Then we would play around under the wide spreading beechnut trees which grew on the banks of the creek, our brothers,¹⁸ making whistles of sour wood twigs, whilst we, the girls,¹⁹ would gather moss and pretty white pebbles of curious shapes to take home with us. During our vacation in summer with what interest we watched the negroes who were busy in the fields with the different crops which were raised on the plantation. The planting and sowing of course, were done whilst we were in the school room, but well do I remember an event was the harvesting of the wheat crop. It was not done in those days by reapers drawn by horses, but by strong negro men who went in the fields each with a cradle on his shoulder. How we loved to watch them as they cut down the rich yellow grain, with the younger negroes coming behind tying (sic) it in bundles to be put up in shocks in the field to await the threshing time. How delighted we were when uncle Wash, our favorite of the field negroes, would call us to see what he had found, and would show us under a little bush, maybe, a nest filled with small white eggs which the partridges had thought were hidden away where they could never be found. Sometimes, in these large wheat fields a young rabbit would be started from its soft bed of straw; then what fun to see the little negroes (who always gathered with us to enjoy the harvest, start out in full chase to catch these little rabbits, whooping as if they were in a regular fox chase. It was a merry season for all, both white and black. Then there was the "harvest dinner" which was *grand*. Our mother, knowing that the work was especially hard, always had a special treat for them at dinner, having all of the field hands to come to the yard of the big house, and then had the nice dinner on long tables placed under the wide-spreading oaks. The threshing of the wheat later on was a happy time, such merry games of hide and seek in the fresh straw just thrown from the machine. At these times, we especially enjoyed having all of the little negroes on the plantation who were large enough to come and join in the fun.

In the month of September, our brothers especially had quite a treat as that was the season for curing tobacco. Of course, the barns of tobacco had to be closely watched at night as well as during the day, so after supper our mother would fix up a nice plate full of the best food from the table at the big house, and let our brothers take it to the barn for uncle Wash, who was to us the most charming of all negroes. After enjoying the nice supper, he would

then entertain them with stories, sometimes his own adventures of `possum hunts or the tales of the "Tar Baby" and other such stories of "Brer Rabbit and Brer Fox," etc. Then picking up his banjo which he kept close by his side, he would make it *ring*, as only a Southern negro can do, with the brightest, liveliest music. Truly, it would bring sorrow to the hearts of the boys when Emmie's voice was heard calling them that it was time for them to come to the house to be put to bed.

Then came the time for the fattening of the large pens of hogs for the winter's killing. In the fall of the year, these large pens were built close to what was always known as "the big spring." After the hogs were securely fastened in these pens, then old uncle Dick began the fattening process, in which we took great interest. After filling with water the largest iron kettle I had ever seen and having a huge fire playing around it, he would begin to throw in pumpkins and other vegetables, of which there were raised on that plantation in abundance for man and beast. Then came the principal ingredient, corn, in large quantities. All of this was boiled until very soft, then fed in regular intervals to the hogs in wooden troughs with which each pen was supplied. With this food and plenty of fresh water from the spring, you should have seen how large and fat they became.

How anxiously we looked forward to the *cold spell* and for the night when uncle Wash would come and announce to our mother, that he thought in the morning it would be cold enough to begin the "hog killing." We could scarcely sleep that night fearing that we would not wake in time to go early in the morning while it was still dark and see those large blazing fires with the sparks flying up in the darkness seeming to mingle with the stars in the Heavens. When we reach the busy scene, we frequently would find assembled around those fires all of the little negroes on the plantation who were large enough to walk all waiting, as we were, for "pig--tails" to broil in the coals, each of us begging for the longest. After the killing, what a busy time followed in the kitchen where our mother would spend most of the time for several days directing the servants who were called in from the quarters to assist the cooks as house servants with the lard, sausage, souse, liver pudding, etc. At this time, we had to be kept apart from our mother, as she would never allow us to enter the kitchen then, fearing we should fall into the large kettles of hot lard which were sitting around on the spacious kitchen hearth. We were glad when this part of the hog killing came to an end as we never liked to be long absent from our mother.

There was another event in our lives which seemed of greatest importance and full of interest, and that was our yearly visit to our grandfather Carter, who lived about 60 miles distance.²⁰ As there were no railroads in our section of the country in those days²¹ this trip was made by private conveyance, our father and mother usually occupying the top buggy, whilst the children, Emmie the nurse, and the large basket of dainty provisions for the journey were stored away in the big roomy carriage, with the leather trunk containing our clothing strapped on the seat outside the back of the carriage. With our faithful and much loved carriage driver, uncle Isaac, who was so careful in the

management of the beautiful black carriage horses, "Cass and Taylor," we felt that we were not only going to have a safe but most delightful journey. We usually took this trip in winter, a short time before Christmas. As children, we did not know why we went just at this time of year, but years after found that the old town of Salem, N. C., where we spent the night before going and returning home, was the place where "Santa Claus" filled his pack for the stockings and Christmas trees on the Old Plantation.²² This long ride over muddy and, too often, frozen roads, would probably seemed very monotonous and lonesome to children had not uncle Isaac kept us entertained from his seat in front with stories of "Brother Fox" and "Brother Rabbit," the same which his sons Rawley and uncle Wash had learned from him to tell us so charmingly, and of which we never tired. Then he would call us to notice the handsome country homes situated on the roadside as we would pass them, and would direct our attention to the villages and tell us some interesting facts concerning them, thus making us forget the long tiresome drive, and late in the afternoon of the first day when we would become restless he would call out to us, "Lookout now, you will soon roll into old Salem." After this fact was announced, there was no more trouble, for we were now all excited, watching from the carriage windows, hoping each of us would be the first to catch a glimpse of that, to us, most wonderful town. On reaching there, we knew we were to spend the night in the largest hotel, the one in which George Washington²³ had slept so many years before as he passed through North Carolina. How handsome and attractive it looked to us as we drove up in the gathering darkness of the winter evening to see it brilliantly lighted up with gas, and not candles to which we were accustomed to at home, and to see the handsomely dressed ladies and gentlemen as they walked into the dining room where we were going to be seated and eat our supper at the same long table with them, and not wait until the second table as we sometimes did when there was a large company of friends and visitors at home. Then when we were tucked in bed at night how happy we would be before closing our eye, just thinking²⁴ of the morrow, for we knew that before continuing our journey our father and mother would take us around to see the wonders of the town, among which was a real *toy store* where it was kept everything we could imagine a child would want to make him perfectly happy. So we would fall asleep, dreaming of the visions of beauty. The next morning after having really seen all these beautiful things, we would all be shut up in the carriage again to continue the journey.

As soon as we were fairly out of town, we would begin questioning uncle Isaac as to how long it would be before we reached the Yadkin river, and when he would tell us it was only eleven miles we had to go we would interest ourselves by thinking and talking about what would take place there, for we knew that no bridge spanned the river, and, being very deep, we knew the carriage, buggy, horses, and all of us would be carried across in a wide rough boat known as a "flat." How it made our little hearts quake with fear when we saw the carriage and buggy driven down the steep bank into that boat, fearing, as we did, that the horses might become frightened and jump out into the

deep, dark water, and when we reached the opposite bank we were very thankful to the kind Providence Who had brought us safely over that one unpleasant part of our journey. It would make this sketch too long to describe those visits, and there were besides our grandparents such a host of uncles, aunts, and cousins, who each²⁵ claimed a visit from us, and each of which we enjoyed to the fullest extent.

Perhaps of all of the memories of my childhood, the one most sacred is the manner in which the Holy Sabbath was observed on the Old Plantation. Our mother and grandmother, both being devotedly pious themselves, tried faithfully to train not only their children but the servants as well to "fear God and keep his commandments" and in doing this they did not omit the fourth commandment. It would do my heart good to see the Sabbath kept as it was in the days of my childhood. Well do I remember the preparations made on Saturday, so that no extra work should be done on the Sabbath either in the kitchen or in the house. On Saturday, the house servants were busy with these preparations, aunt Gaddy, the cook, with her loaves of delicious bread, large dishes of beaten biscuits, chickens or turkeys ready dressed, and beautiful cakes and everything that could be arranged so that on the morrow there would be no lack of good things, and yet no extra work for the servants.

As the distance to the nearest Presbyterian church was seven miles²⁶ and, our mother and grandmother always laying great stress on punctuality in all things, thought it fit and becoming to reach the sanctuary in ample time for the entire service, there were no extra naps indulged in on Sabbath morning. We were all up bright and early and soon after family prayers and breakfast Emmie would begin our toilet for church. Meanwhile, our grandmother, who was a very early riser at all times, would be in readiness with her bonnet on, and would spend the time until the hour to start in reading and studying God's Holy Word.²⁷ Our mother was careful to impress on us the teachings of the Bible and she did not let us forget that it was taught very plainly to "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together" taking us to church when we were quite small, so small that after the long ride and in addition to this quite a long sermon, it was very hard for us to keep awake and quite frequently the smaller of us would put our little heads on our mother's lap and take a little nap. After the service was over, and we were in the churchyard under the large trees, it was the custom at this old country church for the friends and neighbors to spend a short time in friendly conversation, asking after the health of any absent ones, whilst the children were allowed to walk around and enjoy their little friends whom they probably had not seen since the last Sunday.

On reaching home, after the dinner was over, our mother had us to learn catechism, Bible verses and hymns, and she would instruct us in the teachings of the Holy Scriptures by reading aloud to us histories of the Bible written in easy, simple style, suitable to the intellect and enjoyment of children.

But not wishing to make the Sabbath a tiresome day to us, she allowed us to indulge in rest, and some recreations which she did not consider wrong. The one which we especially enjoyed was to go out in the yard in the sunshine

and crack and eat walnuts which had been brought in quantities from the large walnut trees in the fall of the year and stored away for winter. She would also have large waiters of apples brought from the cellar, and with them give ginger cakes which mammy lbbby had made for us, she having the art of making the very best ones which were ever eaten by anyone North or South. Then our mother, who thought it her duty to give Spiritual instruction not only to her children, but to her servants as well; would have the younger negroes assemble themselves in a large room in winter and under the wide spreading oak in summer and would there most faithfully instruct them in the teachings of the Bible and would have them to sing hymns, her own sweet voice leading them in song. After supper, which was usually a light meal on the Sabbath, our grandmother would have all the older servants (except the very aged and infirm) assemble in the same large room and she would instruct them in the ways of truth and righteousness. After the reading of the Scriptures, she would frequently read a sermon from a volume known as "Plantation Sermons," these having been written in a simple, interesting and instructive style, so plain that the servants could not fail to understand what was read. Then she would call on some of the men servants who were church members (usually of the Methodist church) to lead in prayer; but the part of the service which we as children enjoyed most was the singing, our grandmother lining out the hymns so that all might take part; the rich deep voices of those men mingling with the rather high toned voices of the women, made that room ring with music; never to be forgotten by those who heard it, and the like of which we will never hear again in this world. I feel sure that those services were blessed from on high, and that many of those dear old servants are now walking the streets of the "New Jerusalem." At last there came a cloud to overshadow this *happy, happy* home.

In the summer and fall of 1860, we would sit around as was our custom in the evenings, to listen to the conversation of the grown people. It was then we would hear them discussing the coming election of President and frequently in this connection, we would hear the word "war." We did not know, of course, exactly what this word meant, but by their serious and rather sad faces we knew that it was a dark shadow which threatened to fall on our happy home. It was not long after this election before we began to realize from sad experience what was the full significance of war. When there was a call for troops were there not the heartrending partings from those we loved so dearly, those brave hearts which volunteered to go forth with Lee and Jackson and other brave commanders to stand for the cause of the South Land, the cause which they thought was right and just.

Then in the every day life there came such changes; seeing the look of care and sadness on the face of our grandmother of course, threw a gloom over the household. Then when we came to the table for our meals, how different everything seemed. Instead of the fragrant Mocha and Java coffee to which we were accustomed, there was brought a beverage made from parched rye and *called* coffee, with no cracked loaf sugar to make it sweet and nice, frequently with no sugar at all as it could not be had at any price, since things

of this kind could not be brought through the Federal lines from the West Indies and the supply made in our Southland was far in the rear of the demand. No more delicious cakes or other deserts, as we had only those which could be made with sorghum, a very poor substitute even for molasses. At this time, our family was increased in number by the arrival of our very wealthy young lady cousins who were refugeeing (sic) from their home in Mobile, Alabama²⁹ bringing with them three maids, their mother thinking they could not be properly attended with any less number. After they had been with us sometime, their charming, handsome young brother, having been severely wounded in one of the battles around Richmond,³⁰ was brought to our house where he was tenderly nursed. He was regarded, especially by the children, as the greatest of heroes. This made the war seem more of a reality than before. Then things grew worse and worse; no more pretty clothes made of the fine fabrics brought from the nearest towns or ordered from the distant cities, the only, materials now which were obtainable being the cotton and woolen cloth spun and woven by the servants on that "Old Plantation."

How hard mammy Ibbey would try to dye with roots, herbs and bark of trees, some bright color with which to stripe our dresses, so that we should not feel so sad and humiliated when putting them on. How sad it made her dear old heart to see her children, as she called us, dressed in such garments. Oh! The faithful devotion of those dear old servants. Was there ever anything to compare with it in this world? Our Mother exercised all the ingenuity possible to make for us, out of old materials which had long ago been sent to the attic, the hats and bonnets in which we were to make a reasonably decent appearance when we went out from home.

Time grew harder and harder each year as the war went on, but well do I remember when the real fright and terror of this cruel war came to our home. It was in the winter of 1864, when the news came to us that Stoneman (the Federal General) with his army, in making the memorable raid through North Carolina was at that time coming straight in the direction of our home, and would probably cross the Dan River in front of the house at any hour.³¹ Our mother came into our room, telling us this news and bade each of us to look through our bureau drawers and trunks and take from them all of the articles of value which we especially prized, and carry them into the dense woods at the back of the house, and there to bury them in order that they would not be molested when the troops should come, meanwhile she, with our grandmother, the dearly loved governess of whom I have made mention, and the faithful servants were gathering together the household silver, jewelry and other valuables about the house and hiding them in strange unthought-of places, such as hollow trees in the dark woods, in the deep well in the back yard, and in various other such places.

When all of this was very hurriedly, yet faithfully, done, we dressed ourselves in the very best clothes we had left, putting on one dress over another, thus, as we thought, to keep these precious garments from harm, for we had heard that in another part of the state some of our cousins had seen their beautiful silk dresses cut into shreds before their eyes by the Federal

soldiers, as they made these much-dreaded raids. As the night came on of that memorable day, the larger part of the family gathered in our mother's room to wait and watch, in almost breathless agony, expecting every moment to hear the clashing of the horses' hoofs on the gravel walk outside. Whilst in this state of mortal terror and expectancy, our cousin who was watching in another room, came across the hall screaming and exclaiming: "The Yankees have come! The Yankees have come!" Of course, this struck instant terror to every heart, and in the intense excitement of that moment, we were at a loss as to what was best to do, but our mother, with as much calmness as she could possibly command under the circumstances, went to the front door, followed by the other members of the family, there as we thought, to meet Stoneman with his host of soldiers, but, fortunately for us, it was only some of our gentlemen friends from the neighborhood who had ridden by the house to enquire after our safety in this trying night and to tell us the latest news, which was that the raiders were coming straight on and would probably be at our house before midnight, so we continued that awful watch during the entire night and far into the day following, with no rest from this intense anxiety and dread until the news came from some friend in passing that the army had turned from the road leading to our house and had gone directly to Greensboro, so we escaped one of the worst horrors of the war, a visit from the raiders.³² We did not see a Federal soldier until just after the surrender at Appomattox. A few days after this sad event, a troop of horsemen wearing the blue uniform rode up, taking possession of the plantation for a short time, walking around, ordering the servants to have dinner for them, going around gathering eggs from the hens' nests, strawberries from the garden, and such things as that, but really doing no great harm except trying to make the negroes dissatisfied by talking to them, telling them they were no longer obliged to work, they were as free as anybody, etc. But Oh! How beautifully those faithful servants behaved. They, for the most part, continued to work on and were just as respectful and courteous as of old, and some of them have never left, as uncle Wash and Rawley, after nearly forty years of freedom and still living and farming on "The Old Plantation."

Notes

¹ William Nelson Mebane was born April 14, 1843. He was a student at the University from 1860 to the time of his enlistment in 1861. In 1911, he was honorably awarded his undergraduate degree (AB) dated as of 1863.

² Mrs. J. J. Van Noppen, "Mebane-Shaffer House," *The Messenger*, September 28, 1950. "Stick" Lesuer and Jim Franklin were among the students.

³ The McGehee Hotel stood where T. Meador built his wholesale grocery, the building that houses the town clock.

- ⁴ Jesse died May 19, 1890 and Cora on February 17, 1897.
- ⁵ Mrs. Van Noppen, "Eagle Falls," *The Messenger*, September 21, 1950
- ⁶ "Eagle Falls". The plantation took its name from the sizeable rock outcropping across the Dan near a wide looping meander of the river. In 1786, the first court of Rockingham County met at the house of Adam Tate on a hill over looking the falls. By 1816, there was a flat operated at the river crossing by Charles Pinckney May and a grist mill owned by Gideon Roach was in operation. The town of Jackson was located on the north side of the river at Eagle Falls, within the loop, in 1818 and, to open the river navigation, the Roanoke Navigation Company built a lock at the site to bypass the rapids. Bettie Sue Gardner, *Here and There in Rockingham County, North Carolina* (Reidsville, 1959), 2; Charles D. Rodenbough, "Jackson Town - Fraud or Honest Speculation", *JRCHG*, 1, 1, April 1976, 1-13.
- ⁷ Cora Isora Gallaway Carter (1832-1897), daughter of Robert Gallaway and Susan Satherwhite Carter, was born, and appears to have lived all her life, at "Eagle Falls." She first married, August 6, 1849, William Franklin Carter, and when he died she married his brother, Dr. Jesse Carter. She and her two husbands are buried at "Eagle Falls."
- ⁸ The Will of Robert Gallaway of "Valley Field," dated December 8, 1831, devised the "Eagle Falls" plantation to his son, Robert Gallaway, indicating that the son and his wife, Susan Satherwhite Carter Gallaway, were already living there. Extant trim and interior moldings are very similar to a building attached to Wright Tavern at Wentworth and the Fewell-Reynolds, Wall and McGehee houses west and south of Madison, all of which seem to date from the decade of the 1820's. "Eagle Falls" was torn down about 1958 after it had fallen into ruin, serving in the end for hay storage. One of the mantelpieces that was saved has been installed at Wright Tavern in the front sitting room. Rockingham County Wills, Book A, Page 55.
- ⁹ A taborette or tabouret refers to a cylindrical, drum-like stool or stand which has no arms. Often it had storage capacity in the seat. Lettie is remembering it here as a kind of trunk but it may have had an earlier use as a small settee.
- ¹⁰ Cora Isora Gallaway had a brother, Robert, who became a doctor and a sister, Mary Elizabeth, who was married, January 16, 1846, to Nathaniel W. Williams. The Williams family moved to Mississippi about 1810 but retained close family ties in Rockingham County. Nathaniel and Mary Elizabeth Gallaway Williams had a daughter, Susan. Rockingham County Wills, Book A, Page 95 and Book D, Page 92.
- ¹¹ William Franklin Carter (March 28, 1826 - February 27, 1856) was the son of Archibald Gracie and his wife, Letitia Wilson. On Monday, February 26, 1856, he had been well and intended to attend Court on Tuesday. Overnight he developed pneumonia and he died the next day at, the home of his brother-in-law, Dr. Robert Gallaway, in Madison. William Franklin Carter

married Cora Isora Gallaway, August 6, 1849, and came to live at her home, "Eagle Falls." Their children were Robert, Letitia (author of *Child Life on the Old Plantation*), Susan Mary, and William Franklin, born four months after his father's death. See: Unpublished letter, Jane Scales of "Ingleside", Rockingham County, to James Pinckney Scales at Carrollton, Mississippi, February 28, 1856, a copy in the possession of the author.

¹² The great grandmother mentioned here was probably Mary Spraggins Gallaway (December 16, 1774 - February 25, 1852) of "Valley Field." It is known that there were portraits of her son, Robert Gallaway, and his wife Susan Satherwhite Carter Gallaway, at "Eagle Falls." Rockingham County Wills, Book D, Page 92; also.

¹³ Rev. Daniel E. Fields (1831-1916) writing in Webster's Weekly, August 8, 1901, says the Leaksville Toll Bridge was washed away after a flood in August 1850 caused by "the accumulation of timber from Eagle Falls Bridge" which had built up against its footings. This is the lone public reference to a bridge at Eagle Falls. In 1861, the county discontinued the road crossing the Dan at Eagle Falls between the gates on both sides of the river but continued it as a cartway. In May 1861, the county considered building a bridge at Eagle Falls but took no further action. Settle's Bridge at Dead Timber Ford, about two miles upstream was built in 1869-1870 reportedly as a result of the political pressure of Thomas Settle. Daniel E. Fields, *Leaksville of 'Ye Olden Times*, edited by Robert W. Carter, Jr., JRCHG, V, 1, June 1980.

¹⁴ This is a clear indication that the use of the term "baggage road" in the nineteenth century did not routinely refer to the historic "Baggage Road" created across Rockingham in 1781 by General Greene in order to keep his army's baggage out of the hands of Cornwallis as they made their famous race for the Dan. It was a more general term referring to a public transportation road.

¹⁵ Susan Satherwaite Carter Gallaway (January 29, 1805 - February 6, 1868) was the daughter of Jesse Carter of Caswell and his second wife, Elizabeth Payne. She married Robert Gallaway, Jr., (January 12, 1800 - April 27, 1834) on May 30, 1826.

¹⁶ This may be the Nash Carter who was murdered by his wife Tilda, in 1880 near Madison. Tilda and several of her accomplices were hung for the crime.

¹⁷ There are several examples of New England connections with the plantation society along the Dan River during this period. (A) In 1834, Elizabeth Dearing Scales, the daughter of the founder of Madison, Randal Duke Scales, married Joseph Twitchell of Connecticut; (b) In 1853, Dr. Randal Duke Hay married Martha Louisa Russell of Woodstock, Vermont, at the Church of the Epiphany in Leaksville; (c) Miss Olinthia L. Hart from Connecticut taught a plantation school for Alex M. Searcy and another in Guilford County at Hillsdale between 1855 and her death in 1870; (d) Mrs. Alex M. Searcy, the widow Cook, when she married, was a Washburn from Litchfield, Connecticut. The experience of

having a New England school teacher brought to a plantation school such as that at "Eagle Falls," was frequently repeated throughout the South.

¹⁸ Letitia (Lettie) Carter had brothers, Robert Gallaway and William Franklin, Jr. She had half brothers, Jesse, Cecil and Archibald after her mother married Lettie's uncle, Dr. Jesse Carter.

¹⁹ Lettie Carter has a sister, Susan Mary, and a half sister, Cora Gallaway.

²⁰ Archibald Gracie Carter was born March 29, 1801 in Caswell County, the son of Jesse Carter and his wife, Ann Payne. His half sister was Susan Satherwhite Carter, wife of Robert Gallaway II, builder of "Eagle Falls," and the grandmother that Lettie Carter is remembering in this sketch. Archie Carter married Letitia Wilson (for whom Lettie Carter was named) of Davie County. They established their home in that county at Mocksville. The house was called "The Oaks." Archie died in 1882.

²¹ The last section of the Piedmont Railway Company was completed through the eastern part of Rockingham County in May 1864.

²² Salem was the source of many of the "extras" of life not produced on the plantation. Petersburg, Virginia was another frequent marketplace for citizens of the area.

²³ Salem Tavern was the place President George Washington spent the night of May 31, 1791 while on his southern tour. From Salem, Washington went to Martinville in Guilford County June 2-3 then on to Speedwell Iron Works in Rockingham County where he had breakfast with Dr. Benjamin Jones.

²⁴ Lettie Carter's father William Franklin Carter, died February 26, 1856. His oldest child was only five or six so this reference to her father may in fact be to her stepfather, Dr. Jesse Carter, also her uncle, to whom her mother was married May 19, 1859.

²⁵ One of the aunts was Elizabeth Mitchell Carter who married Rev. Pleasant Hunter Dalton, the youngest child of Nicholas and Rachel Hunter Dalton of Madison. He was a graduate of the University of North Carolina and was ordained a Presbyterian minister in 1848. From 1851 to 1858, he taught an academy in Madison and served several rural churches. In 1859, he founded the First Presbyterian Church in High Point.

²⁶ The Gallaway and Carter families of "Eagle Falls" were active members of the Spring Garden Presbyterian Church located on the north side of the Dan on the Salem-Petersburg Road between Madison and Leaksville. This location was on part of the "Spring Garden" plantation. This church was actually only about four miles from "Eagle Falls." The rural congregation dissolved in 1859 after the Presbyterian churches at Madison and Leaksville came into being and gained strength. Both were about seven miles from "Eagle Falls." At the time of the dissolution, the roll of the Spring Garden members was transferred to Madison.

Later in that year, when a Presbyterian Church was organized at Wentworth, most of the Gallaways and Carters moved their membership there. That church was also about three miles from "Eagle Falls."

²⁷ Susan Satherwhite Carter Gallaway was a driving force within the Presbyterian Church. During her lifetime, she was successively a member of the Speedwell, Leaksville, Spring Garden, Madison, and Wentworth Presbyterian Churches, exactly the sequence in which these churches evolved. In 1834, four months after the early death of her husband, she brought her three children, Mary Elizabeth, Robert III, and Cora Isora, to be baptized at Spring Garden.

²⁸ There were no immediate male members of the family old enough to serve in the Confederate army. Their neighbor, Thomas Settle of "Mulberry Island" commanded Company I, of the 13th NC Regiment. John M. Gallaway, a nephew of Susan Satherwhite Carter Gallaway, who grew up at "Mount View," the next plantation down river, was Captain of the 63rd Regiment of NC Cavalry.

²⁹ The brother of (grandmother) Susan Satherwhite Carter Gallaway, Dr Jesse Carter (July 1807-December 1883), became a physician and located in Mobile, Alabama about 1835. His wife was Mary Louise Kennedy, daughter of a prominent Mobile physician, descended from several fine French families: Bienville, D'Olives, and Bodin. These Carters had two daughters, Susan and Mary, who never married, lived to old age in Mobile, and were no doubt these rather elegant refugees.

³⁰ There were at least two sons of the Mobile family who served in the Confederate Army. William Arthur enlisted in the Woodruff Rifles of the 31st Alabama Regiment and, late in the war, became a chaplain. He was a classical scholar and a Presbyterian minister. Cecil enlisted in the Mobile Cadets of the 3rd Alabama Regiment. He said he wanted to disprove the charge that this was a rich man's war and a poor man's fight, so he enlisted as a private, served throughout the war, and refused all promotion. Of such dramatic nobility are the dreams of children fed. Miller, *Genealogy of the Carter Family*, 122.

³¹ Union Major General George Stoneman's raid into western North Carolina actually came in April 1865 although the news reaching the home front for some months had been bitterly disappointing. On April 9th, the day General Lee was surrendering at Appomattox, Stoneman was encamped at Danbury, the county seat of Stokes County, about twenty-five miles up the Dan River from "Eagle Falls."

³² Detachments of Stoneman's command were engaged from western North Carolina - Boone, Blowing Rock to Salem and Salisbury. General Beauregard with a part of General Johnston's command of the Confederates, was camped at Greensboro. The "Danville Connection" of the Piedmont Railroad connecting Greensboro with Danville was only recently complete. A detachment of about 100 men of Stoneman's force was sent to burn the bridge over Reedy Fork, a few miles above Greensboro. Just an hour before they succeeded in putting it to the

torch, President Jefferson Davis, with the remainder of his cabinet, passed over the bridge on the way to Greensboro. All this happened ten miles to the east of "Eagle Falls." Ina Woostemeyer Van Noppen, *Stoneman's Last Raid* (Raleigh: North Carolina State College Print Shop, 1961), 36-46.

EPILOGUE

by Charles D. Rodenbough

The story of Aunt Ibbey, Uncle Wash, and Rawley, freed slaves of the Carter family at "Eagle Falls," melts into the landscape. In the fall of 1865, John Richard Dennett, a young Harvard graduate, writing as a correspondent of *The Nation*, traveled the South reporting on the conditions that he found in the defeated region. He rode through eastern Rockingham County in September and recorded some observations about the Negroes and their conditions. One white gentleman perceived, "that the negro, poor devil, was fated to disappear; that slavery, if it had oppressed him, had at the same time protected him; give the Negro political and social equality, that would make no difference; being left to stand or fall alone in a competitive struggle for life with a superior race, he would be sure to perish; a system bad for the individual Negro had been the preservation of the Negro race in America; philanthropists, with their schemes for elevating the man, would find they had exterminated the species."¹

Dennett was told that a large part of the population of both Caswell and Rockingham was made up of "'Them triflin people' of whom many were Unionists." He heard the bitter evaluation of a Mrs. L _____ who seemed to fall in that category. When asked what had happened to the slaves on her land she allowed her husband had "sent off two families, and there was another woman, with five children, that had got to go next week, for her keep cost mare than her labor would ever pay for. The woman wanted to stay; so did all the niggers; but 'twas no use; her children were all small but one, and that one had a dreadful har lip, so she couldn't talk plain, and Mr L _____ told her she and her train must start at once, for he couldn't keep her. She reckoned if all the niggers had been sent right away from home immediately after the surrender, they'd ha' been all glad enough to get back with their masters and stay. But they listened to what the Yankees told `em. This same woman she was speakin' of said to her husband, when he told her to leave, that it seemed like it was mighty bad; she'd been made free, and it did appear as if that must be something more comin'; the Yankees wouldn't leave her so. That was the way with `em all; but they'd find their mistake."

Nash, "the smaller dining servant" at "Eagle Falls, became Nash Carter, the shoemaker. He was about twenty when the Yankees had approached the plantation house. Unlike the black woman and her children, cast out from their slave home because they were a liability, Nash took with him into freedom several things that prepared him better for the social shock of dramatic transition. He took the Carter name, which is a superficial indication at least, that there had been some amity of feeling between master and slave as Nash had experienced it. He took some level of education that the "Eagle Falls" ladies had provided

through Bible study. He probably took his knowledge of shoemaking and repair which gave him an independence in trade that placed him ahead of many other freemen.

For Nash, the next public act he took as a free man was to marry. On June 27, 1867, before M. S. Black, a Justice of the Peace in Madison, he married Matilda McDonald. Their license had been granted May 25th.² We have no sure record of who Matilda was. Lettie Carter says that the head housemaid at "Eagle Falls" was "Tildy" but she appears to have been an adult when Nash was just a boy. She also probably would have kept Carter as a surname at the time she was emancipated. There was only one white family in Rockingham County using the name McDonald, and they lived in Leaksville. Randal McDonald was a Scot merchant who settled in Leaksville. He had a son, Archibald, and a daughter, Jane, who married George Irving.³ These are all just clues to the possible identity of the black woman, Matilda McDonald.

In 1866, North Carolina passed a marriage act ordering the registration of already existing slave marriages by the early fall of that year. A fee of twenty-five cents was to be charged and failure to comply with the need to register a marriage was punishable as a misdemeanor. A very high percentage of former slaves took advantage of the act which "legalized" slave marriages that had been performed before Emancipation in various irregular rituals such as jumping the broomstick.⁴ Nash Carter's marriage in 1867 suggests it was not a confirmation of marriage but a marriage contracted by a free man.

There is a slim record of the thirteen year marriage of Nash and Matilda. They settled near Madison. They had at least one child, a girl they named Sally. As a shoemaker, Nash was given business by white families who developed a high regard for him personally and for his work. Nash was serious and his dedication to his trade brought him some degree of financial independence. For Matilda, it does not seem to have been enough. She began flirt with other men. Her activities were whispered about even if Nash remained ignorant. It has to be recognized that this picture of a hard working black man laboring late over his cobbler's bench and a wild negress of a wife bedding with neighborhood blacks, is almost too stereotyped to be objective. It is the product of court testimony and white authorship during Reconstruction when the perceived lack of black morality was part of the seed-ground for the growth of segregation. It was a time when a whole ideology of "Retrogressionism" took root in areas of the South and Annie Porter could write in a prestigious national religious weekly like the *Independent*, that there was an "extraordinary relapse" of blacks "into Barbarism" and that ex-slave women did not "grasp the idea of physical morality in the slightest sense."⁵

On the night of December 17, 1880, Matilda Carter had gone to a "frolic" at a neighbor's house. Nash was busy during this season and he remained at home to work late into the night finally dozing at his workbench. "Tilda left the party with three black men, Joe Hay, Eldridge Scales and Alfred Webster. The motive for what happened next was never clearly established. The implication was that the crime was one of passion - Matilda's passion for a good time free from her serious husband, and the men's passion for Matilda. It was sufficient to the prevailing white standard, that a race so base would not need a much more complicated motive.

The four entered Nash's house, slipped behind the now sleeping figure and cast a "running noose" over his head. The noose was tightened as Nash was pulled over from his bench. `Tilda sprang forward and stuffed her skirt in her husband's mouth preventing an outcry until he was strangled. It was over in minutes. The body was hidden nearby, beside a log, and the next day snow began to fall. It was still falling at dark. A horse was stolen from a white neighbor. The rigid corpse was placed across the saddle with one of the accomplices assigned to walk behind and to keep the cadaver from falling off. They went west toward Stokes County, one man and Nash on the horse and the other two men following on mules. At one point, they had to pass through a gate on the farm of Mrs. Peter Webster, a white widow. In doing so, Nash's head brushed the post and a "small wisp of human hair-caught and held by a splinter on that post." Found by Mrs. Webster the next morning, the hair would eventually be a critical clue. The group crossed into Stokes and on an obscure part of the "Pine Hall" plantation of Major Leonard Anderson, they hid the body. First, in a feeble attempt to imply suicide, they cut Nash's throat in several places with his own shoe knife and placed the knife in his hand. Their return and their movements throughout the night were masked by the continuing snow.

Nash's body lay hidden and `Tilda assured neighbors he had gone away to visit friends and would not be back until after Christmas. In the meantime, she "kept open house and her three friends paid her assiduous (sic) court. Christmas passed very pleasantly for them."⁶

A warm spell in early January began to melt December's snow. On January 9, 1881, some boys who were rabbit hunting, discovered Nash's body. Since his absence had already raised suspicion, the confirmation created an immediate sensation. Doctors W. A. Payne and Billy Carter were summoned and their examination determined that Nash was not a suicide. None of the knife wounds in his neck would have been fatal and the cause of death was strangulation. It had been murder.

Major Anderson was a man of commanding reputation, the epitome of the Southern plantation owner, who continued to operate his holdings as if Emancipation had never happened. When Joe Hay was dispatched by `Tilda with a mule to bring the body home, Major Anderson questioned Joe and what the Major heard convinced him that the negro had inside knowledge about Nash's death. No sooner had Joe Hay started off, than the Major mounted his horse and rode off by another route to the home of A. F. Neal, a Rockingham County Justice of the Peace, and, on the Major's insistence, Neal issued a warrant charging Hay with murder. By the time Joe, moving slowly down the road, arrived, unsuspecting, at Neal's house, Deputy Sheriff T. B. Knight had been summoned and Joe was served and arrested for the murder of the man whose corpse lay in his wagon.

Joe pleaded his innocence but, perhaps realizing where his willingness to chat had gotten him earlier with Major Anderson, he refused further comment. Considering the intensity of the suspicions that had been building about the disappearance, it is not surprising that within a few days seven blacks, including `Tilda, had been arrested. For two days the investigation continued but all the prisoners pled their innocence and refused to comment further. Neal and Knight were said to be "convinced that they had the right person among those

arrested,"⁷ an indication of the pressure technique they were using to get someone to break silence.

The clump of hair, that the widow Webster had found on her gatepost the morning of December 19th, now had significance as evidence as did a report of a white man that a cut on a bridle led him to believe that on the night of the 18th, someone had borrowed one of his horses. The psychological pressure accompanying this evidence, finally shattered the resolve of the guilty. Eldridge Scales confessed to his part in the actual murder and named his three accomplices. Neal planned that Scales, as the first to confess, would be the state's witness against the others.

Trial did not come until December 1, 1881. Eventually, nine were charged, all were black. In addition to Tilda Carter, Alfred Webster, Joe Hay and Eldridge Scales, the State had charged James Martin, Pleasant Martin, Thomas Jefferson, Ann Jefferson, and Jane Wall. Charges were soon dropped against these last five. Eldridge Scales was penniless but Alfred Wester had a mule and some property and he hired an attorney who maneuvered him into the position as the state's witness. The other three were each appointed lawyers by the court. Webster took the stand and told in detail the circumstances of the murder and the subsequent efforts to cover the deed. He testified how the gate at Mrs. Webster's could not be opened wide enough in the snow and Nash's body, across the saddle in a horizontal position, would not pass cleanly thorough. His head had been lowered and his feet elevated enough to eventually pass but, in the tight squeeze, his head had brushed the post.

The all male, presumably all white, jury was: Junius A. Ware, W. H. Wall, J. L. Carroll, A. J. Pratt, J. S. Wilson, J. P. Roach, Alexander Parks, K. R. Cobb, T. J. Reynolds, Thomas Strader, J. M. Roberts, and A. L. Williams. The case against Alfred Webster was dropped. The remaining three were found guilty and sentenced to be executed on "Friday the 13" day of January 1882." They were to be taken to the place of execution "between ten (10) o'clock in the morning and two (2) o'clock in the evening" and on that day they were to be hanged by the Sheriff of the said County by the neck "till they be dead."

Apparently, Alfred Webster did not enjoy freedom long. After his release at Wentworth, he went to Martinsville, Virginia where he himself was killed by unknown parties three days later.

The day of the execution was bleak and overcast. Winter rains and melting snow left mud everywhere. John Motley Morehead was ten years old. His parents were away from their Leaksville home and their son was in the care of his aunt, Letty Walker. The young man had been allowed to join the military company organized in Leaksville by his cousin, Jim Glenn, to take part in the Centennial Celebration at Yorktown, which had been held October 9, 1881. Handsome grey uniforms had been made for the company for their appearance at Yorktown. They were called on now to be the official escorts and the troops for the execution. The hanging of three blacks for a crime which by now everyone knew about in detail, and at a time when throughout the South the pendulum of power was returning to all white control, gave authorities some uneasiness. The presence of this mounted troop, in their fine uniforms, gave authority to the proceedings and a spectacle of enhanced entertainment.

John Motley rose early and was out of the house before his aunt was awake.

He returned to his own home, got his uniform and pony, and joined the Centennial troops on their way out of Leaksville. The troops had their weapons and twelve rounds of ball cartridges per man.¹²

The crowd that gathered at the jail in Wentworth by mid-morning, saw Matilda Carter led out in a white shroud followed by her two male accomplices similarly attired. `Tilda was seated on her own wooden coffin in the first wagon with the rope already around her neck and accompanied by the Sheriff, John S. Johnston. In the next wagon sat the two men, also on their coffins, with two deputies each holding the end of a rope hung like a dog leash around the convicts' necks. The parade, and that was the appropriate term, moved east from the jail to a spot about a mile from town. There was an area laid out like a natural amphitheater and an estimated 10,000 people¹³ were assembled. The gallows were large since all three were to be hung together.

The wagons arrived at the foot of the steps and the troops closed in a square around the gallows. One story says there was a delay in the proceedings and `Tilda asked for her knitting. She passed this wait knitting on her coffin.¹⁴ Young Morehead, on his pony, was inside the square with Captain Glenn. Each prisoner was led up the long steps to the platform which provided the crowd full visibility. A black minister made a talk and prayed. Then each of the prisoners spoke and prayed publically. Years later, observers recalled that Joe Hay had given an especially moving talk warning of the dangers of bad company. Scales was too nervous to speak more than a few words. He might have been thinking that if he had been able to afford a lawyer, he might be free now. `Tilda spoke to all the negro girls telling them to "go straight, declaring that she stood on the scaffold because she had failed to do so." Each confessed guilt. The ropes were secured and the figures were hooded. Then Wheeler Hancock, acting for Sheriff Johnston, threw the trap. One died in two minutes, another in thirteen and the last in seventeen."¹⁵ Morehead, when he was 62, remembered "very distinctly how their bodies turned round and round due to the twist of the rope."¹⁶ "One of the few people in the county who did not attend the event was A. F. Neal, who had first jailed the trio and obtained their confessions. "I didn't want to see any more strung up," was his comment when he recalled the circumstances nearly fifty years later.

The body of one of the men was sold, either by him or because it was unclaimed, for \$10 to Doctor Walter Wall of Madison. It was embalmed by the doctor and used for dissecting and in anatomy lectures. Dr. Wall died in 1893 and the body was left in the upper room of a tobacco warehouse. Some boys from the Academy found it and got it out onto the street where it was a curiosity for several days until town authorities ordered that it be buried.¹⁷ `Tilda's body was claimed by a relative who took it back to family for burial. It was night before the relative reached Settle's Bridge and there he spent that lonely night with the corpse under cover of the bridge."¹⁸ `Tilda left her one child to be bound to J. M. Vaughn, who owned the "Rural Retreat" Plantation in Madison. She was trained as a cook. In a few years, Morehead came as a student to the Madison Male Academy and boarded with the Vaughns. He remembered this "little black, blue-gummed Senegambian, named Sally." He also remembered how, on that first night after his great adventure, he had left his room and drawn a couch up beside his aunt's bed. He quoted Mark Twain, "who said he did not believe in

ghosts but was afraid of them.”¹⁹

It may be difficult a century later, to determine who was the ghost and who the victims in this story.

Notes

¹ John Richard Dennett, *The South As It Is* 1865 - 1866 (New York: The Viking Press, 1965), 102-103.

² Rockingham County Marriage Bonds

³ Rockingham County Marriage Bonds

⁴ Herbert G. Gutman, *The Black Family in Slavery & Freedom 1750-1925* (New York: Pantheon Books, 1976), 414,274-276.

⁵ Ibid, 532-533.

⁶ Upton Wilson, “Triple Hanging Witnessed by Ten Thousand in 1880,” Reidsville Review, May 9, 1925.

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Ibid.

⁹ Rockingham County Superior Court Minute Docket 1874-1880, p. 532.

¹⁰ Wilson, “Triple Hanging.”

¹¹ John Motley Morehead III (1870-1965), was the grandson of Governor John Motley Morehead. He was born in Spray and graduated from the University of North Carolina. He became a chemist with the Willson Aluminum and in that capacity, on May 2, 1892, is said to have discovered the method of commercial production of calcium carbide. William S. Powell, *Dictionary of North Carolina Biography*, (Chapel Hill: UNC Press, 1991), IV, 322-323. See also, Herbert T. Pratt, “The History of Willson Aluminum Company, Spray, North Carolina 1891-1896,” JRCHC, XVII, #1, June 1992.

¹² Letter John Motley Morehead to A. B. Andrews, July 19, 1934, John Motley Morehead Papers, Private Collection, State Archives, Division of Archives and History, Raleigh.

¹³ Wilson, “Triple Hanging.”

¹⁴ Copy of a Letter, January 13, 1926, Abner Fuel Neal (1838-1926) to Glenn Neal in the file of the author.

¹⁵ Wilson, “Triple Hanging.”

- ¹⁶ Letter John Motley Morehead to A. B. Andrews, July 19, 1934.
- ¹⁷ Ibid.
- ¹⁸ This would seem to imply that she was buried in the vicinity of "Eagle Falls."
- ¹⁹ Letter John Motley Morehead to A. B. Andrews, July 19, 1934.

The North Carolina Year Book and Business Directory, 1901- 1904

Part 1

Compiled by Bob W. Carter

The North Carolina Year Books and Business Directory, published in the early Twentieth Century by the *News and Observer* Company of Raleigh, North Carolina, was an annual directory of business, institutions, officials and other information on towns and counties in North Carolina. Much of the information contained in the Year Books cannot be found in other sources and the compiler hopes the material will be of value to local historians and genealogists in finding the place of resident of local citizens and the history of businesses. The issues of the Year Books are preserved at the North Carolina State Library in Raleigh. The Society extends thanks to the News and Observer Company of Raleigh for permission to reprint the Rockingham County material.

This Issue of the Journal includes in information from the Year Books 1901-1904. A future Journal will contain additional material from the Year Books. The Year Books contain many errors some of which have been corrected.

The North Carolina Year Book And Business Directory

ROCKINGHAM - 1901 COUNTY SEAT, WENTWORTH.

Clerk Superior Court - Jas V. Price
Wentworth.

Register Of Deeds - James A. Scales,
Wentworth.

Treasurer - Robert W. Hutcherson,
Reidsville.

Sheriff - Robert W. Hutcherson,
Reidsville.

Coroner - John Sharp, Basin.

Surveyor - W. K. Gibbs, Reidsville.

Superintendent County Home - J. A.
Hancock, Wentworth.

Superintendent of Roads - D. L.
Blackburne, Wentworth.

County Physician - Samuel Ellington,
Wentworth.

County Attorney - P. B. Johnston,
Reidsville.

County Commissioners - Thos.R. Pratt
(Chairman) Madison; T. W. Hopkins,
Monroeton; J. S. McAlister, Spray.

Board of Education - Hiram Foard
(Chairman) Leaksville, George W. Martin,
Madison; D. W. Johnston, Reidsville.

Tax Rate - 76 cents on property, \$2.28
poll; for schools, 18 cents; for roads, 8 1-3
cents; for other purposes. 49 2-3 cents.

Number of Iron Bridges in County - four.
Bonded Debt of County - \$11,000

END OF 1901

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1902

Formed in 1785 from Guilford County.
Named in honor of Charles W. Wentworth,
Marquis of Rockingham, a friend of America
in Parliament.

Area, 550 square miles.

POPULATION: 33,163. White males
10,904; White females 10,642. Foreign
born, 67. Negro males 5,529; Negro females
6088. White males over 21 years, 4902;
Negro males over 21 years, 2, 257. White
polls 3,429; Negro polls 1,724.

Value of real estate, \$2,754,446. Value
personal property, \$1,920,257, including
2,656 horses, 1,889 mules, 7 jacks and
jennets, 22 goats, 6,047 cattle, 8,802 hogs,
677 sheep.

Property listed in 1900 by whites,
\$4,542,250; by negroes, \$132,453.

No. Schools: White 78; Colored 41.

TAX RATE: County, 23 2-3c. On \$100
and 40c. poll; roads 8 1-3c. and 25c. poll;
debt, 1c. and 3c. poll. Bonded debt, \$11,000.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1902

No. iron bridges, 3.

POST OFFICES: Adelaide, Aspen Grove, Atlee, Bason, Benaja, Berry, Boyd, Cases, Doug'as, Ferndale, Fitzgerald, Foushee, Genera, Gentry, GROGANSVILLE, Heggie, Hogan, Hopper, Kip, Langdon, Lawsonville, Layton, LEARSVILLE, Lenox Castle, Lorane, McNeely, MADISON, Malloy, Matrimony, Mayfield, Mayo, MAYODAN, Monroeton, Nance, Oregon, Pleasantville, Price, Pritchett, REIDSVILLE, Roanoke, Rocklevel, Rocky Springs, RUFFIN, Sadler, Simpsons Store, SURAY, STONEVILLE, Thompsonville, Waddel's, Wentworth.(c. h.).

PUBLIC ROADS: D. L. Blackburn, Reidsville, Supt. Worked partly by labor and partly by taxation; total last year, \$5,000., Bridges, etc., repaired out of general fund. Miles improved, 150. Convicts used.

RAILROAD, TELEGRAPH AND EXPRESS COMPANIES:

Danville and Western, 7.80 miles, assessed value \$ 20,700.00

Piedmont, 21.20 miles, assessed value \$202,025.17

Norfolk and Western, 20.02 miles, assessed value \$180,463.81

Atlantic and Yadkin, 10.44 miles, assessed value \$93,644.91

Pullman Company, 21.20 miles, assessed value \$2,501.09

American Telephone and Telegraph Co., 85.26 miles, assessed value \$1,006.26

Western Union Telegraph Company, 620.00 miles, assessed value \$47,895.31

Southern Express Company, 59.36 miles, assessed value \$2,140.40

SUPERIOR COURTS: February 24th, two weeks; July 28th; November 3rd, two weeks.

COUNTY OFFICERS - 1902

CLERK OF THE COURT - James V.

Price, Wentworth.

SHERIFF--Robert W. Hutcherson, Reidsville.

REGISTER OF DEEDS - James A. Scales, Wentworth.

TREASURER - Robert W. Hutcherson, Reidsville.

CORONER - J. L. Sharp, Bason.

SURVEYOR - W. K. Gibbs, Reidsville.

CO. ATTORNEY - P. B. Johnston, Reidsville.

CO. SUPT. HEALTH - Samuel Ellington,

Wentworth.

SUPT. CO. HOME - W. T. Williams, Wentworth.

CO. SUPT. SCHOOLS - E. P. Ellington, Reidsville.

BOARD OF EDUCATION - Hiram Foard, (chm), Spray; Geo. W. Martin, Madison; David W. Johnston, Reidsville.

CO. COMMISSIONERS - Thomas R. Pratt, (chm.), Madison; J. S. McAlister, Spray; Thos. W. Hopkins, Monroeton.

BOARD OF RLECTIONS - John B. Johnston, Reidsville; C. B. Pratt, Madison; B.K. Terry, Leaksville.

CONSTABLES - Leaksville Township J. J. Dyer, Spray; Reidsville, G. L. Parrish, Reidsville; New Bethel, R. L. McCollum Bason; Mayo, T. J. Jackson, Stoneville.

Justices of the Peace - 1902

HUNTSVILLE TOWNSHIP - A. J. Middleton, Rocky Springs; Dodson Nelson, L. A. Southern, Stokesdale.

LEAKSVILLE - J. W. Broadnax, J. A. Hopper, J. L. Mitchell, C. H. Henlev, B. K. Terry, Leaksville; S. P. Jarrett, Spray.

MAYO - N. S. Smith, Stoneville; John D. Meador, Douglas; R. S. Thomas, Stoneville.

MADISON - T. M. Woodburn, Madison; G. W. Johnson, Cases; Francis B. Kemp, Mayodan; B. R. Sutterfield, Mayo.

NEW BETHEL - Jas. N. McCollum, Bason; J. P. Wilson, Madison; W. I. Witty, Aspen Grove; A. H. Garrett, Simpson's Store.

REIDSVILLE - W. D. Hightower, J. C. Gardner, J. R. Johnson, John G. Staples, Reidsville.

RUFFIN - J. A. Gibson, J. R. Hopper, M. G. Burton, A. N. Atkinson, T. W. Stokes, Ruffin.

SIMPSONVILLE - H. L. P. Watson, Benaja.

WILLIAMSBURG - A. R. McKinney, Fletcher W. Paschal, Reidsville; T. H. R. Pritchett, Pritchett; Geo. T. Davis, Reidsville.

WENTWORTH - S. P. Thomas, Berry; R. M. Hancock, T. E. Morphis, Wentworth; J. Y. McCollum, Pleasantville.

PRICE - Jason Barnes, McNeely; N.C.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1902

SCHOOL TEACHERS - 1902

Bennett, Miss Maymie, Reidsville.
 Bennett, Miss Sallie, Reidsville.
 Baker, Mrs. Mary M., Malloy.
 Barber, Miss Loula H., Reidsville.
 Baynes, D. A. Kip.
 Borum, Miss Margaret, Ruffin.
 Carter, Miss Lizzie, Heggie.
 Carter, Miss Emma, Heggie.
 Crews, Miss Minnie S., Mayo.
 Crafton, Miss Mattie, Reidsville.
 Carroll, Miss Laura R., Adelaide.
 Cobb, Miss Maude L., Reidsville.
 Dallas, Mrs. Betty C., Berry.
 Dallas, A. H., Berry.
 Deshazo, Miss Mary, Moores Mill, VA.
 Deshazo, Miss Mattie, Spencer.
 Deshazo, Geo. W., Spray.
 Foster, Arthur L., Nance.
 Fitzgerald, Miss Isla, Ruffin.
 Gibson, Miss Martha, Ruffin.
 Gilliam, Miss Exa, Thompsonville.
 Graves, Miss Hellen, Ashland.
 Guerrant, Miss Carrie T., Leaksville.
 Garrett, A. E., Intelligence.
 Humphreys, Miss Mollie, Adelaide.
 Hall, Miss Mattie, McNeely.
 Harris, Miss Lelia, Reidsville.
 Harris, Miss Bertha, Reidsville.
 Hamlin, Miss Martha, Leaksville.
 Horsford, Miss Lucy, Scalesville.
 Hundley, Miss Annie, Leaksville.
 Ivie, Miss Mollie, Leaksville.
 Jones, Miss Cordell, Reidsville.
 Kernodle, Miss Sophia, Reidsville.
 Kemp, Miss Loula, Leaksville.
 King, Miss Lucy E., Ferndale.
 Lemons, Miss Queen, Ferndale.
 Loving, Miss Cora, Layton.
 Loving, Miss Prudence, Layton.
 Loving, Miss Emma, Layton.
 Malloy, Miss Lelia, Ferndale.
 Molloy, Miss Mollie E. Ferndale.
 McGehee, Miss Irene, Madison.
 McGehee, Miss Sallie, Madison.
 McCargo, Jas. E., Wentworth.
 Martin, Ruth, Leaksville.
 McCollum, Miss Nora, Simpson's Store.
 McKinney, Miss Birdie, Reidsville.
 MacDonald, Miss Lelia, Reidsville.
 Moore, Miss Maude, Berry.
 Mathews, Miss Hallie, Reidsville.
 Mitchell, Miss Fannie, Leaksville.
 Mitchell, Miss Maggie Mae, Reidsville.
 Meador, Miss Annie, Douglas.
 Motley, Miss Alice M., Lawsonville.

Mebane, Miss Mary, G., Madison.
 Osborne, Miss Jennie, Brown Summit.
 Price, John R., Roanoke.
 Paschal, Miss Fannie S., Lenox Castle.
 Pierce, Miss Mary, Reidsville.
 Pruitt, Miss Sallie C., Mayfield.
 Pruitt, Wm. F., M Mayfield.
 Rawley, Miss Alice K., Ruffin.
 Rodenheizer, Miss Lillian, Leaksville.
 Reid, Miss Annie D., Wentworth.
 King, Miss Lucy E., Ferndale.
 Sharpe, J. M., Intelligence.
 Sharpe, Miss Bertha, Intelligence.
 Stewart, Z. G., Intelligence.
 Saunders, Miss Lucy, Leaksville.
 Saunders, Miss Annie, Leaksville.
 Slade, Miss Annie I., Lenox Castle.
 Smith, Miss Sallie, Madison.
 Smith, Miss Ada, Mallow.
 Summers, Miss Loula, Reidsville.
 Small, C. O., Adelaide.
 Stanford, W. A., Stoneville.
 Southern, L. A., Stokesdale.
 Tulluck, Miss Lillian, Reidsville.
 Trotter, Miss Lillian, Reidsville.
 Trotter, Miss Marie, Reidsville.
 Terry, Miss Lillie, Reidsville.
 Turner, Miss Eliza, Leaksville.
 Walker, Miss Sallie, Oregon.
 Williams, Miss Fannie H., Leaksville.
 Watlington, J. H., Benaja.
 Womack, Miss Mollie J., Sadler.
 Walker, Geo. T., Reidsville.
 Walker, Miss Sarah, Reidsville.
 Walker, Miss Nettie C., Reidsville.
 Wilson, W. P., Intelligence.
 Ware, Miss L. Alice, Ashland.
 Wells, E. R., Monroeton.
 Waynick, Miss Cora, Monroeton.
 Williamson, Miss Sadie, Ruffin.
 Watkins, Miss Otie, Lenox Castle.

Ministers not in Towns.

METHODIST - D. E. Field, Leaksville;
 J. P. Doris, Ruffin; W. P. Ware, Reidsville.
 BAPTIST - E. P. Ellington, Reidsville.

Schools and Academies.

SHARPE INSTITUTE - J. M. Sharpe,
 Principal, Intelligence.
 RUFFIN HIGH SCHOOL.

Hotels and Boarding Houses,

Hotel Lewis, Stoneville.
 Smith House, Stoneville.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1902

Physicians not in Towns.

J. H. Thacker, Thompsonville.
Geo. Norman, Thompsonville.
C. R. Wharton, Ruffin.
J. R. Smith, Stoneville.
R. C. Wharton, Ruffin.
Darian Smith, Price.
F. P. Tucker, Ruffin.
Thomas A. Boaz, Stoneville.
Geo. M. Ivie, Stoneville.

Merchants not in Towns.

J. R. Shreve, Adelaide.
L. B. Settle, Berry.
G. H. Clark, Fitzgerald.
J. T. Price, Geneva.
J. H. Joyce & Son, Grogansville.
J. G. Trent & Son, Langdon.
O. L. Fitzgerald, Lawsonville.
G. O. Motley, Lawsonville.
Brunson & Parkinson, Spray.
Laud & Weaver, Spray.
W. J. Patterson, Spray.
E. A. Self, Spray.
W. E. Apple, Lenox Castle.
D. B. City, Lenox Castle.
W. S. McKinney, Lenox Castle.
G. T. Cook, Mayfield.
Gilley Bros., Nance.
J. R. Adkins, Oregon.
W. R. French, Oregon.
T. J. Carter, Pleasantville.
W. J. Boone, Pritchett.
Price Bros., Roanoke.
Wm. M. Knight, Rocky Springs.
M. J. Fitzgerald & Co., Ruffin.
Mrs. A. J. Griffith, Ruffin.
W. H. Warriner & Co., Ruffin.
Worsham Bros., Ruffin.
Patrick H. Simpson, Simpson's Store.
W. H. Grogan, Stoneville.
Joe Harris, Stoneville.
G. M. Ivie, Stoneville.
L. W. Matthews, Stoneville.
T. P. Poole & Co. Stoneville.
N. S. Smith, Stoneville.
W. A. Stanford, Stoneville.
B. R. Stone, Stoneville.
R. L. Stone, Stoneville.
Joe Willis, Stoneville.
Norman & Fawcette, Thompsonville.
J. A. Gunn, Wentworth.
W. J. Grogan, Price.
Holland, Grogan & Co., Price.
R. P. Price & Sons, Price.
A. J. Gravett & Co., Hogan.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1902 WENTWORTH - 1902

Lumber Plants

J. H. Walker & Co., Reidsville.
H. N. Binford, Madison.
Griffin Bros., Bason.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Davis Bros., Stoneville.
Nolen Bros., Stoneville.

Saloons.

Dunn Bros. near Leaksville
Taylor & Matthews, near Leaksville.
Jim Taylor, Stoneville.

WENTWORTH - 1902

Population, 284.

Ministers and Churches.

METHODIST - A. S. Raper, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - B. Watt. Mebane.
Pastor.

Schools and Academies

WENTWORTH ACADEMY - Miss
Sallie McGehee, Principal.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - J. V. Price, J.
J. Scott, J. Whittemore.
POSTMASTER - John G. Mitchell.

Hotels and Boarding House

Reid Hotel N. R. Reid, Proprietor.

Lawyers.

Reuben D. Reid.
Ira Humphrey.

Doctors.

Sam Ellington.

General Merchandise.

John W. Mitchell.
D. L. Withers.
J. G. Mitchell & Son.

Saloons.

George S. Whittemore

End of Wentworth

MADISON - 1902

Incorporated in 1815. Madison - 1902
Population, 813.
Value of real estate, \$204,076.
Value of personal property, \$41,000.00
No. white polls, 96.
No. colored polls, 92.
Tax rate, 25c. on \$100.
Bonded debt. \$8,000.
Election held first Monday in May each
year. Term. one Year

Town Officers. - 1902

MAYOR - J. M. Galloway, Jr.
CLERK - G. W. Martin.
TREASURER - T. M. Galloway.
TAX COLLECTOR - Samuel Smith, Jr.
CHIEF OF POLICE - J. B. Webster.
POLICEMAN - I. A. Powers.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN - H. N.
Benford, J. M. Galloway, W. C. Jones, Thos.
J. Penn, H. T. Britt, W. A. Webster.
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL - I. M.
Weatherly, Superintendent.
CITY SCHOOL COMMITTEE - C. B.
McAnally, C. B. Prate.
POSTMASTER - Joseph M. Vaughn.
R. R. AGENTS - J. M. Cant, T. J. Teague.
EXPRESS AGENT - J. M. Cant.

Ministers and Churches.

EPISCOPAL - F. A. Fetter, Pastor.
METHODIST - J. A. Bowles, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - B. W. Mebane,
Pastor.
BAPTIST - H. H. Wilson, Pastor.

Schools and Academies.

MADISON HIGH SCHOOL - J. M.
Weatherly, Principal.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Southern Hotel, J. P. Lewis.
Merchants Hotel, J. M. Apple.

Bakers

J. T. Lewis

Banks and Bankers.

MADISON BANK -- J. M. Galloway,
President; J. O. Ragsdale Cashier. Capital
\$10,000; Surplus and Profit, \$1000.

Barber Shops.

Frank Gibson.
J. A. Powell.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.
Yower

Books and Stationary.
M. McAnally.

Contractors and Builders.
Nichols.
W. F. Chambers.

Coal and Wood.
Pickett.

Dealers in Ice.
T. J. Teague.

Dealers in Tobacco.
G. W. Martin.
T. J. Penn.
Pegram and Penn.

Dentists.
J. A. Roach.

Doctors.
C. B. McAnally.
H. L. Monk.
J. R. Matherson.

Druggists.
McAnally & Matherson

Dress-Maker.
Mrs. Warren.

General Merchandise.
McGehee Bros.
D. W. Busick & Son.,
J. T. Lewis.
Moore & Pickett.
Pratt & Jones. Pratt Bros.
Anderson & Co.

Insurance Agencies.
J. O. Ragsdale.
D. W. Busick.

Job Painting Offices.
W. H. Curtis.

Lawyers.
C. O. McMichael.

Lumber M'rs and Dealers.
W. A. Webster.
Pratt & Webster.

MADISON - 1902
SPRAY - 1902

Newspapers and Editors.
OBSERVER- W. H. Curtis, Editor.

Painters.
J. Wheeler.

Real Estate Agents.
C. O. McMichael

Saloons.
A. M. Webster.
B. Robertson.
J. F. Lewis.

Sales and Livery Stables.
W. C. Jones.
Benford & Cahill.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.
J. M. Gant.
T. J. Teague.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.
J. M. Apple.

End of Madison

SPRAY 1902

Population 3,300 (Estimated.)
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL - G. W. Deshazo, Principal
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - C. E. Kluge,
Z. T. Hamilton, W. R. Walker.
POSTMASTER - J. D. Martin.
R. R. AGENT - S. M. Harris.
EXPRESS AGENT - S. M. Harris.

Ministers and Churches.
BAPTIST - Rev. Mr. Beeker, Pastor.
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST - Rev. Mr. Spangler, Pastor.
METHODIST - A. L. Stanford, Pastor.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.
Colonnade Hotel.
Spray Inn.
S. P. Jarrett.

Barber Shops.
M. M. Breeden.

Books and Stationery.
Spray Mercantile Co.

SPRAY - 1902

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.
John G. Gravely.
W. D. Flynn.
A. P. Robertson.
John W. Clodfellow.
David Wilson.

Contractors and Builders.
J. M. Hopper.
J. R. Perdue.

Cotton Mills.
LEAKSVILLE COTTON MILLS - B. F. Mebane, President; W. R. Walker, Secretary and Treasurer.

SPRAY COTTON MILLS - G. A. Mebane, President; W. R. Walker, Secretary and Treasurer.

LILLY COTTON MILLS - B. F. Mebane, President; J. S. McAlister, Secretary and Treasurer.

NANTUCKET COTTON MILLS - B. F. Mebane, President; J. S. McAlister, Secretary and Treasurer.

AMERICAN WAREHOUSE, CO. - F. L. Fuller, President; T. M. Ellett, Secretary and Treasurer.

Doctors.
John Sweeney.

Druggists.
Spray Mercantile Co.

Dress-Makers.
Miss Ellen Self.
Miss Pattie Dyer.
Miss Addie Ray.

Dealers in Ice.
Wilson Company.

Dealers in Grain and Seed.
Spray Mercantile Co.

General Merchandise.
Spray Mercantile Co.
J. M. Joyce.
W. D. Wells.
Hendrix & Hubbard.
W. D. Flynn.

Insurance Agents.
W. T. Ferguson.

Painters.
J. W. Robertson.

SPRAY - 1902
LEAKSVILLE - 1902

Retail Grocers.

Spray Mercantile Co.
W. D. Wells.
Spray Racket Store.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Wilson Livery Co.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.

W. B. Weaver.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.

BELL - Haller Woodson, Manager.

Water Company and Officers.

SPRAY WATER POWER AND LAND
CO. - B. F. Mebane, President; W. R.
Walker, Secretary.

LEAKSVILLE HOUSE AND POWER
CO. - J. F. McAlister, President; D. F. King,
Treasurer.

Woolen Mills.

LEAKSVILLE WOOLEN MILLS - H. P.
Foard, President; John Morehead, Secretary
and Treasurer.

End of Spray

LEAKSVILLE - 1902

Incorporated in 1873.
Population 688.
Value of Real Estate, \$172,000.
Value of personal property, \$90,000.
No. white polls, 200.
No. colored polls, 100.
Tax Rate, 20c. On \$100.

Town Officers.

MAYOR - J. H. Lane.
CLERK - J. B. Taylor.
TREASURER - J. B. Taylor.
TAX COLLECTOR - H. F. Moir.
ATTORNEY - R. D. Reid.
POLICEMEN - H. F. Moir.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN - J. W. Ivie, R.
V. Osborne, J. H. Hampton.
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - C. T.
Guerrant, Principal.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - J. H. Lane, J.
M. Price, S. A. Turner.
POSTMASTER - D. M. Vernon.
R. R. AGENT - Chas. N. Deshazo.
EXPRESS AGENT - Chas. N. Deshazo.

LEAKSVILLE - 1902

Ministers and Churches.

BAPTIST - Rev. Mr. Becker, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - Rev. Mr. Dogget,
Pastor.
METHODIST - A. L. Stanford, Pastor.
EPISCOPAL - F. A. Fetter, Rector.

Schools and Academies.

Leaksville Practical High School, B. W.
Ray, Principal.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Hopper Hotel.
J. B. Fagg.

Barber Shops.

Rawley Dillard.

Banks and Bankers.

BANK OF LEAKSVILLE - W. R. Walker
President; A. E. Millner, Cashier. Capital
\$10,000; Surplus and Profit, \$2886.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.

S. B. Dillard.

Books and Stationery.

T. W. Field.

Contractors and Builders.

J. M. Hopper.
C. F. Field.

Confectionery Dealers.

Lester Martin.

Clothing, Hats, & Men's Furnishings.

M. Heiner.

Music Teachers.

Mrs. T. W. Field.
Miss Katie Williams.
Miss Daisy King.

Newspapers and Editors.

LEAKSVILLE GAZETTE - C. J.
Darlington, Editor

Pianos and Organs.

Piano and Organ Co.
R. J. Bowen.

Painters.

Gravely Dyer.
Homer Hurt.

LEAKSVILLE - 1902

Retail Grocers.

D. F. King.
Leaksville Grocery Co.

Sewing Machine Agents.

R. J. Bowen.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Ivie Bros.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.

C. N. Deshazo.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.

LEAKSVILLE AND SPRAY - J. B.
Deshazo.

Tobacco Manufacturers.

D. F. King.
B. F. Ivie.
J. B. Taylor.

Dealers in Ice.

Sam Dillard.
Williamson & Co.

Dealers in Tobacco.

J. B. Taylor.
T. G. Taylor.
E. H. Rainey.
C. W. Rainey.
W. S. Williams.
B. F. Ivie.
D. F. King.
W. D. Wells.

Dentists.

Elmer E. Richardson.
B. J. Field

Doctors.

A. B. Johns.
W. S. Martin.
S. L. Martin.
B. J. Field.
J. B. Ray.

Druggists.

S. L. Martin.

Dressed-Makers.

Mrs. Fannie Moir.
Miss Sue White Harris.
Miss Mollie Dyer

Dry Goods and Notions.

D. E. Field.

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T. W. Field.
Mrs. T. Lee Millner.

Dealers in Grain and Seed.

D. E. Field.
Williamson & Co.
D. F. King.

Furniture Dealers.

H. C. Moir.

General Merchandise.

Ivie Bros.
Williamson & Co.

Carriage Manufacturers.

J. H. Hampton Buggy Co.

Hardware Dealers.

Leaksville Hardware Co.

Insurance Agencies.

Jones Norman.
J. N. Price.
C. N. Deshazo.

Lumber M'grs. and Dealers.

James Hopper.
D. F. King.
C. F. Field.

Job Printing Offices

J. T. Darlington

Machinery Dealers.

J. W. Henson.
J. H. Hampton.

Millinery and Fancy Foods.

Mrs. T. Lee.

Tobacco Warehouses.

Enterprise, C. W. Rainey.
King's, Taylor Bros.

Watches and Jewelry.

C. T. Ross.

End of Leaksville

REIDSVILLE - 1902

Population 3,262.

Town Officers

MAYOR - P. D. Watt.

REIDSVILLE - 1902

CLERK - James T. Smith.
TREASURER - J. B. Johnston.
TOWN COMMISSIONERS - W. B.
Wray, C. H. Overman, J. W. Manly, C. W.
Jackson, J. B. Johnston, P. D. Watt.
SUPT. WATER WORKS AND
ELECTRIC LIGHTS - R. H. Milton.
TAX COLLECTOR - J. E. Lambeth.
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - W. Banks
Dove, Supt.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - J. T. Pannill,
W. P. Watt, M. A. Allen.
POSTMASTER - J. F. Wray.
R. R. AGENT - N. C. Thompson.
EXPRESS AGENT - James Bratcher.

Ministers and Churches

MAIN STREET - (Methodist) - D. Vance
Price, Pastor.
FIRST BAPTIST - C. L. Greaves, Pastor.
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN - D. I. Craig,
Pastor.
ST. THOMAS - (Episcopal) - F. A. Fetter,
Rector.
SCALES STREET [PRIMITIVE]
BAPTIST - L. H. Hardy, Pastor.
WARE'S CHAPEL - (Methodist) - S. P.
Douglas, Pastor.

Schools and Academies.

REIDSVILLE FEMALE SEMINARY.
REIDSVILLE GRADED SCHOOLS -
(2).
MRS. PATTIE WOOTTEN'S SCHOOL.
R. S. POWELL'S ACADEMY.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Piedmont.
Central.
Mrs. Price.
Mrs. Hightower.

Banks and Bankers.

BANK OF REIDSVILLE.
CITIZENS BANK.

Bands and Officers.

Third Regiment Band.

Barber Shops.

L. M. Sharp.
Joe Cutter.
T. Cannedy.

Books and Stationary.

Mayo & Smith

Boot and Shoe Shops.

J. M. Sullivan.
J. H. DeGrotte.
E. H. DeGrotte.
Robert Penn.

Bicycle Dealers.

J. H. Laster.

Box Manufacturers.

Acme Paper Box Co.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.

W. L. Gardner.
G. T. Windsor.
J. C. Gardner.
Sam Fels.
C. F. Lewis.
J. M. Baynes.
T. E. Cook.
J. H. Michael.

Cabinet-Makers.

James H. Morrison.

Carriage, Repair Shops.

W. P. Snipes.
H. G. Parish.
F. W. Waynick.

Clothing, Hats and Men's Furnishings.

Williams, Hopkins & Co.
J. S. Hutcherson.
Price & Clark.
Simon Roman.

Coal and Wood.

C. A. Wootten.
H. R. Sands.

Cotton Mills.

Edna Cotton Mills.

Contractors and Builders.

Geo. Barber.
J. W. Walker.
Milton Jones.
J. H. Sharp.
J. O. Sharp.

Dentists.

C. A. Rominger.
J. N. Hester.
L. T. Smith.

Doctors.

J. C. Walton.

REIDSVILLE - 1902

J. A. Williams.
T. E. Balsley.
L. L. Sapp.
E.H. Brooks.
J. C. Mills.

Druggists.

W. S. Allen.
Fetzer & Mims.
L. L. Sapp.

Fertilizer Manufacturers.

Reidsville Fertilizer Co.

Furniture Dealers.

Smith & Chance.
F. B. Jones & Co.

General Merchandise.

Z. H. Neal.
H. T. Martin.
J. C. Huffines & Co.
P. H. Williamson & Co.
C. J. Mathews & Co.
W. P. Ware.
J. H. Burton.
W. T. Law.
D. R. Ellington.
M. A. Tulloch.
Ed. Miller & Co.
Neal & Son.
Smith Bros.
J. H. Husband.
J. F. Koger.
R. D. Walker.
Hairston & Co.
T. B. McGhee.
Lovelace Bros.
G. M. Trent.
Wootten Bros.
R. P. Richardson, Sr.
W. I. Anderson.

Hardware Dealers.

Giles & Mims Hardware Co.
Neal Hardware Co.

Harness M'f'rs and Dealers.

Neal Hardware Co.
Giles & Mims Hardware Co.

Insurance Agents.

Francis Womack.
John G. Staples.
L. F. Coppridge.
J. N. Craig.

Job Printing Offices.

Mayo & Smith.
Acme Job Printing Co.
J. R. Webster.

Laundries.

Reidsville Steam Laundry.
Chin Tong's Laundry.

Lawyers.

Scott & Reid.
A. J. Burton.
J. D. Pannill.
J. T. Pannill.

Lumber M'f'rs and Dealers.

J. H. Walker & Co.

Mattress Manufacturers.

Honduras Manufacturing Co.

Marble Works.

G. T. Gossett.
Clapp Bros.

Music Teachers.

Miss Maymie Salzman.
Miss Margret Love.
Miss Bessie Brown.
Miss Minnie Jones.

Millinery and Fancy Goods.

B. M. Hitchcock & Co.
R. L. Minor & Co.
D. A. Hendrix.
Mrs. J. A. Roach & Son.

Newspapers and Editors.

REIDSVILLE REVIEW - J. T. & Manton
Oliver, Editors and Proprietors.
WEBSTER'S WEEKLY - J. R. Webster,
Editor and Proprietor.

Oil Dealers.

Standard Oil Co., J. H. Walker & Co.

Photographers.

M. P. Stone.
C. W. Rochelle.

Retail Grocers.

P. H. Williamson & Co.
H. T. Martin.
Z. H. Neal.
C. J. Mathews & Co.
J. C. Huffines & Co.
W. P. Ware.
Acme Grocery Co.

REIDSVILLE - 1902

J. H. Burton.
W. T. Law.
D. R. Ellington.
M. A. Tulloch.
Ed. Miller & Co.
Neal & Son.
Smith Bros.
J. H. Husband.
J. F. Koger.
R. D. Walker.
Hariston & Co.
T. B. McGehee.
Lovelace Bros.
G. M. Trent.
Wootten Bros.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Crafton & Mitchell.
Whitsett & Rascoe.
J. E. Amos.
Joe Wilson.

Saloons.

Rorer & Jackson.
Wm. Young & Co.
B. F. Wilkerson.
Perkinson & Gillie.

Surveyors.

E. M. Redd.
W. B. Trogdon.
E. P. Ellington.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.

REIDSVILLE TELEPHONE CO. - R. J. Oliver, Manager.

Tobacco Factories.

The F. R. Penn Tobacco Co.
Robert Harris & Bro.
A. H. Motley Tobacco Co.
Old North State Smoking Tobacco Co.,
R. P. Richardson, Jr., & Co.
Robt. Harris & Bro.
A. H. Motley Tobacco Co.
The F. R. Penn Tobacco Co.

Tobacco Buyers.

J. H. Burton.
A. M. Burton.
Z. V. Gwynn Tobacco Co.
R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.
American Tobacco Co.
Continental Tobacco Co.
P. D. Watt.
E. D. Watt.
G. D. Williams.

REIDSVILLE - 1902 MAYODAN - 1902

J. A. Roach & Co.
G. W. Perkins.
A. P. Gwynn.
W. A. Stacey.
J. H. Blackwell.

Tobacco Warehouses.

Leader.
Watt's.
Star.

Watches and Jewelry.

J. M. Tesh & Son.
G. V. Wood.
J. H. Mewborne.

Wholesale Grocers

Reidsville Grocery Company

End of Reidsville.

MAYODAN - 1902

Incorporated in 1899.
Population, 904.
Tax rate - City purposes, 10c. on \$100.
Election held in May. Term 1 year.

Town Officers.

MAYOR - Francis B. Kemp.
CLERK - T. H. Turner.
TREASURER - T. H. Turner.
TAX COLLECTOR - P. T. Carter.
CITY PHYSICIAN - Dr. Davis.
CHIEF OF POLICE - P. T. Carter.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN - T. H. Turner,
J. B. Crouch, W. T. Poindexter.
PUBLIC SCHOOLS - R. R. Ray, Prin.
CITY SCHOOL COMMITTEE - W. C. Ruffin, H. Brown, J. Neltschi, Jr.
POSTMASTER - C. L. Walters.
R. R. AGENT - C. H. Barnes.
EXPRESS AGENT - C. H. Barnes.

Cemeteries and Supts.

Moravian Cemetery.

Ministers and Churches.

BAPTIST - W. H. Wilson, Pastor.
MORAVIAN - H. E. Ronthaler, Pastor.
METHODIST - Amos Gregson, Supply.

Schools and Academies.

Mrs. L. W. Weathersbee.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Mrs. E. J. Higgins.

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G. W. Hester.
Mrs. B. P. Robertson.

Barber Shops.

Sam Clark.
M. Marshall.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.
G. W. Hester.

Contractors and Builders.
J. W. Walters.
W. T. Poindexter.

Cotton Mills.

THE MAYO MILLS - F. H. Fries,
President; W. C. Ruffin, Secretary and
Treasurer.

THE AVALON MILLS -F. H. Fries,
President; W. C. Ruffin, Secretary and
Treasurer.

Doctors.

Dr. Davis.

Druggists.

J. H. Ault.

General Merchandise.

S. A. Martin.
S. P. Tesh.
W. T. Poindexter.
B. R. Martin & Co.
W. B. Gentry.
Crawford & Marshall.
B. R. Ross.
R. H. King.

Hardware Dealers.

Pratt Bros.

Insurance Agents.

Francis B. Kemp, Agent.

Land Companies.

The Piedmont Land and Manufacturing
Co., Francis B. Kemp, President.

Lumber M'frs and Dealers.

W. T. Poindexter.
J. W. Walters.

Millinery and Fancy Goods.

Mrs. J. H. Ault.
Mrs. W. T. Poindexter.

Music Teachers.

Mrs. L. W. Weathersbee.

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Real Estate Agents.

Francis B. Kemp.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.

C. H. Barnes.

Saloons.

Mayodan Dispensary.

End of Mayodan.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY. 1903 County Seat, Wentworth.

Formed in 1785 from Guilford County.
Named in honor of Charles W. Wentworth,
Marquis of Rockingham, a friend of America
in Parliament.

Area, 550 square miles.

POPULATION - 33,163. White males
10,904; white females 10,642. Foreign born,
67. Negro males, 5,520; negro females
6,088. White males over 21 years, 4,902;
negro males over 21 years, 2,257. White
polls, 3,429; negro polls, 1,724.

Value of real estate, \$2,754,446. Value
personal property, \$1,920,257, including
2,656 horses, 1,889 mules, 7 jacks and
jennets, 22 goats, 6,047 cattle, 8,802 hogs,
677 sheep.

Property listed in 1900 by whites,
\$4,542,250; by negroes, \$132,453.

No. Schools: White 78; Colored 41.

Tax Rate: County, 23 2-3c. on \$100 and
40c. poll; roads 8 1-3c. and 25c. poll; debt,
1c. and 3c. poll. Bonded debt, \$11,000. No.
iron bridges, 3.

POST OFFICES: Adelaide, Aspen, Grove,
Atlee, Bason, Benaja, Berry, Boyd, Cases,
Douglas, Ferndale, Fitzgerald, Foushee,
Geneva, Gentry, GROCANVILLE, Heggie,
Hogan, Hopper, Kip, Langdon, Lawsonville,
Layton, LEAKSVILLE, Lenox Castle,
Lorane, McNeely, MADISON, Malloy,
Matrimony, Mayfield, Mayo, MAYODAN,
Monroeton, Nance, Oregon, Pleasantville,
Price, Pritchett, REIDSVILLE, Roanoke,
Rocklevel, Rocky Springs, RUFFIN, Sadler,
Simpsons Store, SPRAY, STONEVILLE,
Thompsonville, Waddells, Wentworth, (c.
h.)

PUBLIC ROADS: D. L. Blackburn,
Reidsville, Supt. Worked partly by labor and
partly by taxation; total last year \$5,000.
Bridges, etc. required out of general fund.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1903

Miles improved 150. Convicts used.

RAILROAD, TELEGRAPH AND EXPRESS COMPANIES:

Danville and Western, 7.80 miles, assessed value \$ 20,700.00

Piedmont, 21.20 miles, assessed value I \$603,428.50

Norfolk and Western, 20.02 miles, assessed value \$204,828.65

Atlantic and Yadkin, 10.44 miles, assessed value \$ 93,659.49

Pullman Company, 21.20 miles, assessed value \$ 3,366.83

American Telephone And Telegraph Co., 127.88 miles, assessed value . \$ 4,351.41

Western Union Telegraph Co., 666.65 miles, assessed value \$ 39,624.86

Atlantic Postal Telegraph Co., 39.40 miles, assessed value \$ 962.47

Reidsville Telephone Company, 80.00 miles, assessed value \$ 2,545.45

Southern Express Company, 59.36 miles, assessed value \$ 4,026.95

SUPERIOR COURT: February 23rd, two weeks; August 3rd; November 9th, two weeks.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

CLERK OF THE COURT - James V. Price, Wentworth.

SHERIFF - M. F. Pinnix, Reidsville.

REGISTER OF DEEDS - James A. Scales, Wentworth.

TREASURER - M. F. Pinnix, Reidsville.

CORONER - J. L. Sharp, Basen.

SURVEYOR - W. K. Gibbs, Reidsville.

CO. ATTORNEY - P. B. Johnston, Reidsville.

CO. SUPT. HEALTH - Samuel Ellington, Wentworth.

SUPT. CO. HOME - W. T. Williams, Wentworth.

CO. SUPT. SCHOOLS - E. P. Ellington, Reidsville.

BOARD OF EDUCATION - Hiram Foard, (chm.), Spray; Geo. W. Martin, Madison; David W. Johnston, Reidsville.

CONSTABLES - Simpsonville Township, C. D. Martin, Ferndale; Madison. H. T. Pratt, Madison; Mayor, T. John W. Eggleton, Stoneville; Price, T. Charlie Stone, Price; Wentworth, T. W. N. Moir, Benaja; New Bethel, T. Robert L. McCollum, Basen; Reidsville, T. R. H. Parrish, Reidsville; Ruffin, T. J. H. Carter, Ruffin; Huntsville, E. L. Angel, Rocky Springs; Williamsburg, F. M. Combs, Reidsville; Leaksville, A. H. Strong, Leaksville.

CO. COMMISSIONERS - Thomas R. Pratt, Thomas W. Stokes, Ruffin; C.H. Dalton, J. B. Johnston, Reidsville W. B. Wray, Leaksville.

Justices of the Peace.

SIMPSONVILLE TOWNSHIP - J. J. Waynick, Monroeton; J. R. Lemons, Ferndale.

MADISON - Jeff Cardwell, Mayo; T. M. Woodburn, Madison; Francis B. Kemp, Mayodan.

MAYO - R. A. Baughn, Henry W. Stanford, Stoneville.

PRICE - Z. D. Snead, Charles L. Smith.

WENTWORTH - Robert M. Hancock, Wentworth; John Y. McCollum, Pleasantville; J. W. Summers, Berry.

NEW BETHEL - T. F. Wilson, Hogan; Samuel A. Price, Geneva; James N. McCollum, Basen.

REIDSVILLE - R. M. Clack, J. C. Gardner, D. W. Hightower, John B. Johnston, Reidsville.

RUFFIN - J. A. Gibson, Lawsonville; R. H. Johnson, Lawsonville; A. N. Atkinson, Mayfield, J. R. Hopper, Hopper.

HUNTSVILLE - Andrew Middleton, Gentry; Dodson Nelson, Rocky Springs; L.A. Southern, Stokesdale.

WILLIAMSBURG - George T. Davis, Reidsville; J. T. Thompson, Reidsville; John D. Pritchett, Reidsville; Henry T. Lane, Leaksville; John P. Price, Spray; James P. Wilson, Leaksville.

Merchants not in Towns.

J. R. Shreve, Adelaide.

L. B. Settle, Berry.

C. H. Clark, Fitzgerald.

J. T. Price, Geneva.

J. H. Joyce & Son, Grogansville.

J. G. Trent & Son, Langdon.

O. L. Fitzgerald, Lawsonville.

C. O. Motley, Lawsonville.

Brunson & Perkinson, Spray.

Laud & Weaver, Spray.

W. J. Patterson, Spray.

E. A. Self, Spray.

W. E. Apple, Lenox Castle.

D. B. Citty, Lenox Castle.

W. S. McKinney, Lenox Castle.

G. T. Cook, Mayfield.

Gilley Bros., Nance.

J. R. Adkins, Oregon.

W. R. French, Oregon.

T. J. Carter, Pleasantville.

W. J. Boone, Pritchett.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1903

Price Bros., Roanoke.
 Wm. M. Knight, Rocky Springs.
 M. J. Fitzgerald & Co., Ruffin.
 Mrs. A. J. Griffith, Ruffin.
 W. H. Warriner & Co., Ruffin.
 Worsham Bros., Ruffin.
 Patrick H. Simpson, Simpson's Store.
 W. H. Grogan, Stoneville.
 Joe Harris, Stoneville.
 G. M. Ivie, Stoneville.
 L. W. Mathews, Stoneville.
 T. P. Poole & Co., Stoneville.
 N. S. Smith, Stoneville.
 W. A. Stanford, Stoneville.
 B. R. Stone, Stoneville.
 R. L. Stone, Stoneville.
 Joe Willis, Stoneville.
 Norman & Fawcette, Thompsonville.
 J. A. Gunn, Wentworth.
 W. J. Grogan, Price.
 Holland, Grogan & Co., Price.
 R. P. Price & Sons, Price.
 A. J. Gravett & Co., Hogan.

Lumber Plants.

J. H. Walker & Co., Reidsville.
 H. N. Binford, Madison.
 Griffin Bros., Bason.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Davis Bros., Stoneville.
 Nolen Bros., Stoneville.

Saloons.

Dunn Bros., near Leaksville.
 Taylor & Matthews, near Leaksville.
 Jim Taylor, Stoneville.

Public School Teachers.

Bennett, Miss Minnie, Reidsville.
 Bennett, Miss Sallie, Reidsville.
 Baker, Mrs. Mary M., Malloy.
 Barber, Miss Loula H., Reidsville.
 Baynes, D. A., Kip.
 Borum, Miss Margaret, Ruffin.
 Carter, Miss Lizzie, Heggie.
 Carter, Miss Emma, Heggie.
 Crews, Miss Minnie S., Mayo.
 Crafton, Miss Mattie, Reidsville.
 Carroll, Miss Laura R., Adelaide.
 Cobb, Miss Maude L., Reidsville.
 Dallas, Mrs. Bettie C., Berry.
 Dallas, A. H., Berry.
 Deshazo, Miss Mary, Moores Mill, Va.
 Deshazo, Miss Mattie, Spencer.
 Deshazo, Geo. W., Spray.
 Foster, Arthur L., Nance.
 Fitzgerald, Miss Isla, Ruffin.

Gibson, Miss Martha, Ruffin.
 Gilliam, Miss Exa, Thompsonville.
 Graves, Miss Helen, Ashland.
 Guerrant, Miss Carrie T., Leaksville.
 Garrett, A. E., Intettigence.
 Hail, Miss Mattye, McNeely.
 Harris, Miss Lelia, Reidsville.
 Harris, Miss Bertha, Reidsville.
 Hamlin, Miss Martha, Leaksville.
 Horsford, Miss Lucy, Scalesville.
 Hundley, Miss Annie, Leaksville.
 Ivie, Miss Mollie, Leaksville.
 Jones, Miss Cordell, Reidsville.
 Kernodle, Miss Sophia, Reidsville.
 Kemp, Miss Loula, Leaksville.
 King, Miss Lucy E., Ferndale.
 Lemons, Miss Queen, Ferndale.
 Loving, Miss Cora, Layton.
 Loving, Miss Prudence, Layton.
 Loving, Miss Emma, Layton.
 Malloy, Miss Lelia, Ferndale.
 Malloy, Miss Mollie, E., Ferndale.
 McGehee, Miss Irene, Madison.
 McGehee, Miss Sallie, Madison.
 McCargo, Jas. E., Wentworth.
 Martin, Ruth, Leaksville.
 McCollum, Miss Nora, Simpson's
 Store.
 McKinney, Miss Birdie, Reidsville.
 McDonald, Miss Lelia, Reidsville.
 Moore, Miss Maude, Berry.
 Mathews, Miss Hallie, Reidsville.
 Mitchell, Miss Fannie, Leaksville.
 Mitchell, Miss Maggie Mae,
 Reidsville.
 Meador, Miss Annie, Douglas.
 Motley, Miss Alice M., Lawsonville.
 Osborne, Miss Jennie, Brown
 Summit.
 Price, John R., Roanoke.
 Paschal, Miss Fannie S., Lenox
 Castle.
 Pierce, Miss Mary, Reidsville.
 Pruitt, Miss Sallie C., Mayfield.
 Pruitt, Wm. F., Mayfield.
 Rawley, Miss Alice K., Ruffin.
 Rodenheizer, Miss Lillian, Leaksville.
 King, Miss Lucy E., Ferndale.
 Sharpe, J. M., Intettigence.
 Sharpe, Miss Bertha, Intettigence.
 Saunders, Miss Lucy, Leaksville.
 Saunders, Miss Annie, Leaksville.
 Slade, Miss Annie L., Lenox Castle.
 Smith, Miss Sallie, Madison.
 Smith, Miss Ada, Malloy.
 Summers, Miss Loula, Reidsville.
 Small, C. O., Adelaide.
 Stanford, W. A., Stoneville.

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Southern, L. A., Stokesdale.
Tulluck, Miss Lillian, Reidsville.
Trotter, Miss Lillian, Reidsville.
Trotter, Miss Marie, Reidsville,
Terry, Miss Lillie, Reidsville.
Turner, Miss Eliza, Leaksville.
Walker, Miss Sallie Oregon.
Williams, Miss Fannie H., Leaksville.
Watlington J. H., Benaja.
Womack, Miss Mollie J., Sadler.
Walker, Miss Sarah, Reidsville.
Walker, Miss Nettle C., Reidsville.
Walker, Geo. T., Reidsville.
Wilson, W. P., Intelligence.
Ware, Miss L. Alice, Ashland.
Wells, E. R., Monroeton.
Waynick, Miss Cora, Monroeton.
Williamson, Miss Sadie, Ruffin.
Watkins, Miss Otie, Lenox Castle.

Ministers not in Towns.

METHODIST-D. E. Field, Leaksville;
C. A. Wood, Ruffin; W. P. Ware,
Reidsville.
BAPTIST-E. P. Ellington, Reidsville.

Schools and Academies.

SHARPE INSTITUTE-J. M. Sharpe,
Principal, Intelligence.
RUFFIN HIGH SCHOOL.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Hotel Lewis, Stoneville. Smith House,
Stoneville.

Physicians not in Towns.

J. H. Thacker, Thompsonville.
Geo. Norman, Thompsonville.
C. R. Wharton, Ruffin.
J. R. Smith, Stoneville.
R. G. Wharton, Ruffin.
Darian Smith, Price.
F. P. Tucker, Ruffin.
Thomas A. Boaz, Stoneville.
Geo. M. Ivie, Stoneville.

WENTWORTH - 1903

Population, 234.

Ministers and Churches.

METHODIST - A. S. Raper, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - B. Watt Mebane,
Pastor.

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Schools and Academies.

WENTWORTH ACADEMY - Miss
Minerva Allen, Principal.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - J. V. Price, J.
J. Scott, A. J. Whittemore.
POSTMASTER - John G. Mitchell.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Reid Hotel - N. R. Reid, Proprietor.
Wentworth Hotel.
June Mitchell.

Lawyers.

Reuben D. Reid.
Ira Humphrey.

Doctors.

Sam Ellington.

General Merchandise.

John W. Mitchell.
D. L. Withers.
J. G. Mitchell & Son.

Saloons.

George S. Whittemore.

End of Wentworth.

MADISON - 1903

Incorporated in 1815.
Population 987.
Value of real estate \$204,076.
Value of personal property \$41,000.
No. of white polls, 96.
No. of colored polls, 6.
Tax rate, 25c, on \$100.
Bonded debt, \$8,000.
Election held first Monday in May every
two years.

Town Officers.

MAYOR - J. M. Galloway.
CLERK - J. M. Galloway, Jr.
TREASURER - J. M. Galloway.
TAX COLLECTOR - Samuel Smith, Jr.
CHIEF OF POLICE - H. T. Pratt.
POLICEMAN - Alex Pool.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN - C. B. Pratt, J.
M. Galloway, W. C. Jones, Thomas J. Penn,
P. J. Nichols, W. A. Webster.
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - J. M.
Weatherly, Superintendent.
CITY SCHOOL COMMITTEE - C. B.
McAnally, C. B. Price.
POSTMASTER - Nathaniel B. Lewis.
R. R. AGENTS - J. M. Gant, T. J. Teague.

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EXPRESS AGENTS - J. M. Gant.

Ministers and Churches.

EPISCOPAL - F. A. Fetter, Rector.
METHODIST - J. A. Bowles, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - B. W. Mebane, Pastor.
BAPTIST - Rev. Mr. Ray Pastor.

Schools and Academies.

MADISON HIGH SCHOOL - J. M. Weatherly, Principal.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Southern Hotel, J. P. Lewis.
Merchants Hotel, J. M. Apple.

Bakers.

J. P. Lewis.

Banks and Bankers.

MADISON BANK - J. M. Galloway,
President. J. O. Ragsdale, Cashier. Capital,
\$10,000. Surplus and Profits, \$2,100.

Barber Shops.

Frank Gibson.
J. P. Powers.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.

A. R. Williams.

Books and Stationary.

C. B. McAnally.

Contractors and Builders.

P. J. Nichols.
W. F. Chambers.

Coal and Wood.

Nat. M. Pickett.

Dealers in Ice.

T. J. Teague.

Dealers in Tobacco.

G. W. Martin.
T. J. Penn.
McGehee Bros.

Dentists.

J. A. Roach.

Doctors.

C. B. McAnally.
R. C. Matheson.

Druggists.

McAnally & Matheson.

Dress-Makers.

Mrs. Warren.

General Merchandise.

McGehee Bros.
D. W. Busick & Son.
J. P. Lewis.
Moore & Pickett.
Pratt & Jones.
Pratt Bros.
Anderson & Co.
T. J. Pearson & Co.

Insurance Agencies.

J. O. Ragsdale.
D. W. Busick.

Job Printing Offices.

W. H. Curtis.

Lawyers.

C. O. McMichael.

Lumber M'rs and Dealers.

W. A. Webster.
Pratt & Webster.
B. F. Cahill.

Newspapers and Editors.

OBSERVER - W. H. Curtis, Editor.

Painters.

J. Wheeler.

Real Estate Agents.

C. O. McMichael.

Saloons.

B. Robertson.
J. P. Lewis.

Sales and Livery Stables.

W. C. Jones.
E. P. Cahill.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.

J. M. Gant.
T. J. Teague.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.

C. B. McAnally.
W. C. Jones.

End of Madison.

SPRAY - 1903

Population, 3,300 (Estimated.)
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL - G. W.
Deshazo, Principal.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - C. E. Kluge,
Z. T. Hamilton, W. R. Walker.
POSTMASTER - J. D. Martin.
R. R. AGENT - S. M. Harris.
EXPRESS AGENT - S. M. Harris.

Ministers and Churches.

BAPTIST - Rev. Mr. Beeker, Pastor.
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST - Rev. Mr.
Spangler, Pastor.
METHODIST - A. L. Stanford, Pastor.
CHRISTIAN - Rev. Mr. Glenn, Pastor.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Colonnade Hotel.
Spray Inn.
S. P. Jarrett.

Barber Shops.

George Robertson.

Books and Stationary.

Spray Mercantile Co.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.

John G. Gravely.
W. D. Flynn.
A. P. Robertson.
John W. Clodfellow.
David Wilson.

Contractors and Builders.

J. M. Hopper.
J. R. Perdue.
James E. Johnson.

Cotton Mills.

LEAKSVILLE COTTON MILLS - B. F.
Mebane, President; W. R. Walker, Secretary
and Treasurer.

SPRAY COTTON MILLS - G. A.
Mebane, President; W. R. Walker, Secretary
and Treasurer.

LILLY COTTON MILLS - B. F. Mebane,
President; J. S. McAlister, Treasurer.

NANTUCKET COTTON MILLS - B. F.
Mebane, President; J. S. McAlister, Secretary
and Treasurer.

AMERICAN WAREHOUSE CO. - F. L.
Fuller, President; I. M. Ellett, Secretary and
Treasurer.

Doctors.

John Sweeney.

Druggists.

Spray Mercantile Co.

Dress-Makers. 1903

Miss Ellen Self.
Miss Pattie Dyer.
Miss Addie Ray.

Dealers in Ice.

Wilson Company.

Dealers in Grain and Seed.

Spray Mercantile Co.

General Merchandise.

Spray Mercantile Co.
J. M. Joyce.
W. D. Wells.
Hendrix & Hubbard.
W. D. Flynn.

Insurance Agents.

W. T. Ferguson.

Painters.

J. W. Robertson.

Retail Grocers.

Spray Mercantile Co.
W. D. Wells.
Spray Racket Store.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Wilson Livery Co.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.

W. B. Weaver.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.

BELL - Haller Woodson, Manager.

Water Company and Officers.

SPRAY WATER POWER AND LAND
CO. - B. F. Mebane, President; W. R.
Walker, Secretary.

LEAKSVILLE HOUSE AND POWER
CO. - J. S. McAlister, President; D. F. King,
Treasurer.

Woolen Mills.

LEAKSVILLE WOOLEN MILLS - H. P.
Foard, President; John Morehead, Secretary
and Treasurer.

End of Spray.

LEAKSVILLE. - 1903

Incorporated in 1873.
Population, 688.
Value of Real Estate, \$172,000.
Value of Personal Property, \$90,000.
No. white polls, 200.
No. colored polls, 100.
Tax rate, 20c, on \$100.

Town Officers.

MAYOR - J. H. Lane.
CLERK - J. B. Taylor.
TREASURER - J. B. Taylor.
TAX COLLECTOR - H. F. Moir.
ATTORNEY - R. D. Reid.
POLICEMEN - H. F. Moir.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN - J. W. Ivie, R.
V. Osborne, J. H. Hampton.
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - C. T.
Guerrant, Principal.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - J. T. Lane, J.
M. Price, S. A. Turner.
POSTMASTER - D. M. Vernon.
R. R. AGENT - Chas. N. Deshazo.
EXPRESS AGENT - Chas. N. Deshazo.

Ministers and Churches.

BAPTIST - Mr. Beeker, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - M. W. Dogget, Pastor.
METHODIST - A. L. Stanford, Pastor.
EPISCOPAL - F. A. Fetter, Rector.

Schools and Academies.

Leaksville Practical High School, B. W.
Ray, Principal.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Hopper Hotel.
Mrs. Theresa Hopper.

Barber Shops.

Rawley Dillard.

Banks and Bankers.

BANK OF LEAKSVILLE - W. R. Walker,
President; A. E. Millner, Cashier. Capital,
\$10,000; Surplus and Profit, \$2,886.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.

S. B. Dillard.

Books and Stationary.

T. W. Field.

Contractors and Builders.

J. M. Hopper.
C. F. Field.

Confectionery Dealers.

Lester Martin.

Clothing, Hats and Men's Furnishings.

M. Heiner.

Dealers in Ice

Sam Dillard.
Williamson & Co.

Dealers in Tobacco.

J. B. Taylor.
T. G. Taylor.
S. W. Rainey.
W. S. Williams.
B. F. Ivie.
D. F. King.
W. D. Wells.

Dentists.

Elmer F. Richardson.
B. J. Field.

Doctors.

A. B. Johns.
W. S. Martin.
S. L. Martin.
B. J. Field.
J. B. Ray.

Druggists.

S. L. Martin.

Dress-Makers.

Mrs. Fannie Moir.
Miss Sue White Harris.
Miss Mollie Dyer.

Dry Goods and Notions.

D. E. Field.
T. W. Field.
Mrs. T. Lee Millner.

Dealers in Grain and Seed.

D. E. Field.
Williamson & Co.
D. F. King.

Furniture Dealers.

I. C. Harris.

General Merchandise.

Ivie Bros.
Williamson & Co.

Carriage Manufacturers.

J. H. Hampton Buggy Co.

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Hardware Dealers.

Leaksville Hardware Co.

Insurance Agencies.

Jones Norman.

J. N. Price.

C. N. Deshazo.

Ed. Emerson.

Job Printing Offices.

J. T. Darlington.

Lumber M'frs and Dealers.

James Hopper.

D. F. King.

C. F. Field.

Machinery Dealers.

J. W. Henson.

J. H. Hampton.

S. W. Rainey.

Millinery and Fancy Foods.

Mrs. T. Lee.

Music Teachers.

Mrs. T. W. Field.

Miss Katie Williams.

Miss Daisy King.

Miss Eleanor Price

Newspapers and Editors.

LEAKSVILLE GAZETTE - C. J.
Darlington. Editor.

Pianos and Organs.

Piano and Organ Co.

R. J. Bowen.

J. W. Hinson.

Painters.

Gravely Dyer.

Homer Hurt.

Retail Grocers.

D. F. King.

Leaksville Grocery Co.

B. F. Ivie & Co.

Sewing Machine Agents.

R. J. Bowen.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Ivie Bros.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.

C. N. Deshazo.

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Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.

LEAKSVILLE AND SPRAY - J. B.
Deshazo.

Tobacco Manufacturers.

D. F. King.

B. F. Ivie.

J. B. Taylor.

Tobacco Warehouses.

Enterprise, Wilson & Co.

King's, Taylor Bros.

Watches and Jewelry.

C. T. Ross.

End of Leaksville.

REIDSVILLE - 1903

Population 3,262.

Town Officers.

MAYOR - P. D. Watt.

CLERK - James T. Smith.

TREASURER - J. B. Johnston.

TOWN COMMISSIONERS - W. B.
Wray, C. H. Overman, J. W. Manly, C. W.
Jackson, J. R. Johnston.

SUPT. WATERWORKS AND

ELECTRIC LIGHTS - R. H. Milton.

TAX COLLECTOR - J. E. Lambeth.

CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - W. Banks
Dove, Supt.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE - J. T. Pannill,
W. P. Watt, R. T. Williams, W. B. Wray,
W. N. Womack, J. G. Staples.

POSTMASTER - J. F. Wray.

R. R. AGENT - N. C. Thompson.

EXPRESS AGENT - N. C. Thompson.

Ministers and Churches.

MAIN STREET - (Methodist) - D. Vance
Price, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST - C. L. Greaves, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN - D. I. Craig, Pastor.

ST. THOMAS - (Episcopal) - F. A. Fetter,
Rector.

SCALES STREET [PRIMITIVE]
BAPTIST - L. H. Hardy, Pastor.

WARE'S CHAPEL - (Methodist) - D.
Vance Price, Pastor.

Schools and Academies.

REIDSVILLE FEMALE SEMINARY.

REIDSVILLE GRADED SCHOOLS -
(2).

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Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Piedmont.
Central.
Mrs. Price.

Banks and Bankers.

BANK OF REIDSVILLE.
CITIZENS BANK.

Bands and Officers.

Third Regiment Band.

Barber Shops.

L. M. Sharp.
T. Cannedy.

Books and Stationary.

Mayo & Smith.

Boot and Shoe Shops.

J. M. Sullivan.
J. W. DeGrotte.
E. H. DeGrotte.
Robert Penn.

Bicycle Dealers.

J. H. Laster.

Box Manufacturers.

Acme Paper Box Co.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.

W. L. Gardner.
G. T. Windsor.
J. C. Gardner.
Sam Fels.
C. F. Lewis.
J. M. Baynes.
T. E. Cook.
J. H. Michael.
J. B. Martin.
W. H. Foy.

Cabinet-Makers.

James H. Morrison.

Carriage Repair Shops.

W. P. Snipes.
H. G. Parish.
F. W. Waynick.

Clothing, Hats and Men's Furnishings.

Williams, Hopkins & Co.
J. S. Hutcherson.
Price & Clark.
Simon Roman.

Coal and Wood.

C. A. Wootten.

Cotton Mills.

Edna Cotton Mills.

Contractors and Builders.

Geo. Barber.
J. W. Walker.
Milton Jones.
J. H. Sharp.
J. O. Sharp.

Dentists.

C. A. Rominger.
J. N. Hester.
L. T. Smith.

Doctors.

J. A. Williams.
T. E. Balsley.
E. H. Brooks.
L. L. Sapp.
J. C. Mills.

Druggists.

W. S. Allen.
Fetzer & Mims.
L. L. Sapp.

Fertilizer Dealers.

Reidsville Fertilizer Co.

Furniture Dealers.

Hall & Chance.
F. B. Jones & Co.

General Merchandise.

Z. H. Neal.
H. T. Martin.
J. C. Huffines & Co.
P. H. Williamson & Co.
C. J. Mathews & Co.
W. P. Ware.
J. H. Burton.
W. T. Law.
D. R. Ellington.
M. A. Tulloch.
Ed. Miller & Co.
Neal & Son.
Smith Bros.
J. H. Husband.
J. F. Koger.
R. D. Walker.
Hairston & Co.
Lovelace Bros.
G. M. Trent.

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Wootten Bros.
R. P. Richardson, Sr.
W. I. Anderson.
Harris & Hubbard.
Gem Oyster Saloon.
P. A. Johnston.
J. J. Shelton.
Pettigrew & Co.

Hardware Dealers.

Giles & Mims Hardware Co.
Neal Hardware Co.

Harness M'Frs and Dealers.

- Neal Hardware Co.
Giles & Mims Hardware Co.

Insurance Agencies.

Francis Womack.
John G. Staples.
L. F. Coppridge.
J. N. Craig.

Job Printing Offices.

Mayo & Smith.
Acme Job Printing Co.
J. R. Webster.

Laundries.

Reidsville Steam Laundry.
Chin Tong's Laundry.

Lawyers.

Scott & Reid.
A. J. Burton.
J. D. Pannill.
J. T. Pannill.
Johnston & Johnston.

Lumber M'Frs and Dealers.

J. H. Walker & Co.

Mattress Manufacturers.

Honduras Manufacturing Co.

Marble Works.

G. T. Gossett.
Clapp Bros.

Music Teachers.

Miss Maymie Salzman.
Miss Margret Love.
Miss Bessie Brown.
Miss Minnie Jones.

Millinery and Fancy Goods.

B. M. Hitchcock & Co.
R. I. Minor.

D. A. Hendrix.
Mrs. J. A. Roach & Son.

Newspapers and Editors.

REIDSVILLE REVIEW - J. T. & Manton
Oliver, Editors and Proprietors.
WEBSTER'S WEEKLY - J. R. Webster,
Editor and Proprietor.

Oil Dealers.

Standard Oil Co., J. H. Walker & Co.

Photographers.

M. P. Stone.
C. W. Rochelle.
Tesh Bros.

Retail Grocers.

P. H. Williamson & Co.
H. T. Martin.
Z. H. Neal.
C. J. Mathews & Co.
J. C. Huffines & Co.
W. P. Ware.
Acme Grocery Co.
J. H. Burton.
W. T. Law.
D. R. Ellington.
M. A. Tulloch.
Ed. Miller & Co.
Neal & Son.
Smith Bros.
J. H. Husband.
J. F. Koger.
R. D. Walker.
Hairston & Co.
T. B. McGehee.
G. M. Trent.
Wootten Bros.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Grafton & Mitchell.
Whitsett & Rascoe.
Amos & Moore.
Joe Wilson.

Saloons.

Rorer & Jackson.
Wm. Young & Co.
Pergason & Gillie.
City Bar.

Surveyors.

E. M. Redd.
W. B. Trogdon
E. P. Ellington.

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Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.
REIDSVILLE TELEPHONE AND
TELEGRAPH CO. - R. J. Oliver, Manager.

Tobacco Factories.
The F. R. Penn Tobacco Co.
Robert Harris & Bro.
A. H. Motley Co.
Old North State Smoking Tobacco Co., R.
P. Richardson, Jr. & Co.

Tobacco Buyers.
J. H. Burton.
A. M. Burton.
Z. V. Gwynn Tobacco Co.
R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.
American Tobacco Co.
Continental Tobacco Co.
P. D. Watt.
E. D. Watt.
J. A. Roach & Co.
G. W. Perkins.
A.P. Gwynn.
W. A. Stacey.
J. H. Blackwell.
J. S. Pinnix & Co.

Tobacco Warehouses.
Leader.
Watt's.
Star.

Watches and Jewelry.
J. M. Tesh & Son.
G. V. Wood.

Wholesale Grocers.
Reidsville Grocery Co.

End of Reidsville.

MAYODAN.- 1903

Incorporated in 1899.
Population, about 1,500.
Tax rate - City Purposes, 10c. on \$100.
Election held in May. Term 1 year.

Town Officers.
MAYOR - Francis B. Kemp.
CLERK - T. H. Turner.
TREASURER - T. H. Turner.
TAX COLLECTOR - P. T. Carter.
CITY PHYSICIAN - Dr. Davis.
CHIEF OF POLICE - P. T. Carter.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN - T. H. Turner,
J. B. Crouch, W. T. Poindexter.

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS - R. R. Ray, Prin.
CITY SCHOOL COMMITTEE - W. C.
Ruffin, H. Brown, J. Ueltschi, Jr.
POSTMASTER - C. L. Walters.
R. R. AGENT - J. W. Taylor.
EXPRESS AGENT - J. W. Taylor.

Cemeteries and Supts.
Moravian Cemetery.

Ministers and Churches.
BAPTIST - W. H. Wilson, Pastor.
MORAVIAN - W. T. Spach, Pastor.
METHODIST - Amos Gregson, Supply.

Schools and Academies.
Mrs. L. W. Weathersbee.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.
G. W. Hester.
Mrs. B. P. Robertson.

Barber Shops.
Sam Clark.
C. H. Marshall.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.
G. W. Hester.
W. B. Gentry.

Contractors and Builders.
J. W. Walters.
W. T. Poindexter.

Cotton Mills.
THE MAYO MILLS - F. H. Fries,
President; W. C. Ruffin, Secretary and
Treasurer.
THE AVALON MILLS - F. H. Fries,
President; W. C. Ruffin, Secretary and
Treasurer.

Doctors.

Dr. Davis.

Druggists.
J. H. Ault.

General Merchandise.
S. A. Martin.
Trent & Martin.
W. T. Poindexter.
B. R. Martin & Co.
W. B. Gentry.
Crawford & Marshall.
B. V. Ross & Co.

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J. Rubenstein.

Hardware Dealers.
Pratt Bros.

Insurance Agencies.
Francis B. Kemp, Agent.

Land Companies.
The Piedmont Land and Manufacturing
Co., Francis B. Kemp, President.

Lumber M'frs and Dealers.
W. T. Poindexter.
J. W. Walters.

Millinery and Fancy Goods.
Mrs. J. H. Ault.
Mrs. W. T. Poindexter.

Music Teachers.
Mrs. L. W. Weathersbee.

Real Estate Agents.
Francis B. Kemp.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.
J. W. Taylor.

Saloons.
Mayodan Dispensary.

Suspender Manufacturers.
S. P. Tesh.

Roller Mills.
McMichael Bros.

Brick M'frs and Dealers.
W. T. Poindexter.

End of Mayodan - 1903

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1904
County Seat, Wentworth.

Formed in 1785 from Guilford County.
Named in honor of Charles W. Wentworth,
Marquis of Rockingham, a friend of America
in Parliament.

Area, 550 square miles.

POPULATION: 33,163. White males
10,904; white females 10,642. Foreign born
67. Negro males, 5,520; negro females,
6,088. White males over the age of 21 years,

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1904

4,902; negro males over the age of 21 years,
2,257. White polls, 3,454; negro polls 1,041.
Value of real estate, \$3,188,153. Value
personal property, \$1,855,768, including
2,486 horses, 1,902 mules, 5 jacks and
jennets, 24 goats, 6,977 cattle, 7,121 hogs,
702 sheep.

Property listed in 1903 by whites,
\$5,322,348; by negroes \$208,317.

No. Schools: White, 78; Colored 41.

TAX RATE: County, 23 two 2-3c. on
\$100 and 40c. poll; roads, 16 2-3c. and
25c. poll; debt, 1c. and 3c. poll. Bonded
debt, \$11,000. No. Iron bridges, 10.

POST OFFICES: Aspen Grove, Atlee,
Bason, Benaia, Boyd, Cases, Fitzgerald,
Foushee, GROGANSVILLE, Heggie,
Hopper, Layton, LEAKSVILLE, Lenox,
Castle, Loraine, McNeely, MADISON,
Malloy, Matrimony, Mayfield, Mayo,
MAYODAN, Nance, Oregon, Pleasantville,
Price, Pritchett, REIDSVILLE, Roanoke,
Rocklevel, Rocky Springs, RUFFIN, Sadler,
SPRAY, STONEVILLE, Thompsonville,
Wentworth. (c. h.)

PUBLIC ROADS: C. H. Stokes, Reidsville
Supt. Worked partly by labor and partly by
taxation; total last year \$5,000. Bridges, etc.,
repaired out of general fund. Miles
improved 150. Convicts used.

RAILROAD, TELEGRAPH AND
EXPRESS COMPANIES.

Danville & Western, 8.00 miles, assessed
value \$31,036.22.

Southern Railway, 21.20 miles, assessed
value \$524,090.39.

Norfolk & Western, 20.02 miles, assessed
value \$282,053.61.

Atlantic & Yadkin, 10.41 miles, assessed
value \$103,700.03.

Pullman Company, 21.00 miles, accessed
value \$3,141.60.

Western Union Telegraph Company,
771.50 miles, assessed value \$24,523.67.

Southern Express Company, 59.36 miles,
assessed value \$6,917.64.

International Telephone Company, 50.00
miles, assessed value \$500.

American Cotton Oil Company, assessed
value \$2,450.00.

SUPERIOR COURT: February 29th, two
weeks; June 13th, civil cases only; August 1st,
criminal cases only; November 7th, two
weeks.

COUNTY OFFICERS
CLERK OF THE COURT - James V.
Price, Wentworth.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1904

SHERIFF - M. F. Pinnix, Reidsville.
REGISTER OF DEEDS - James A. Scales, Wentworth.

TREASURER - M. F. Pinnix, Reidsville.
CORONER - J. L. Sharp, Bason.
SURVEYOR - W. K. Gibbs, Reidsville.
CO. ATTORNEY - P. B. Johnston, Reidsville.

CO. SUPT. HEALTH - Samuel Ellington, Wentworth.

SUPT. CO. HOME - W. T. Williams, Wentworth.

CO. SUPT. SCHOOLS - E. P. Ellington, Reidsville.

BOARD OF EDUCATION - William Cummins, (chm.); George W. Martin, Madison; David W. Johnston, Reidsville.

CO. COMMISSIONERS - Thomas R. Pratt, J. S. McAlister, Thomas W. Stokes, Ruffin; C. H. Dalton, Jonathan Robinson, Reidsville.

BOARD OF ELECTIONS - John B. Johnston, Reidsville; W. B. Wray, Reidsville.

CONSTABLES - Simpsonville Township, C. D. Martin, Ferndale; Madison, H. T. Pratt Madison; Mayor, T. John W. Eggleton, Stoneville; Price, T. Charley Stone, Price; Wentworth, T. W. N. Moir, Benaja; New Bethel, T. Robert L. McCollum, Bason; Reidsville, T. R. H. Parrish, Reidsville; Ruffin, T. J. H. Carter, Ruffin; Huntsville, F. L. Angel, Rocky Springs; Williamsburg, F. M. Combs, Reidsville; Leaksville, A. H. Strong, Leaksville.

Justices of the Peace.

SIMPSONVILLE TOWNSHIP - L. R. Dixon, D. E. Purcell, J. A. Beville, J. C. Turner, Monroeton; J. J. Waynick, Monroeton; J. R. Lemons, Ferndale.

MADISON - Jeff Cardwell, Mayo; Francis B. Kemp, Mayodan; R. R. Sutenfield, T. M. Woodburne, Madison.

MAYO - R. A. Baughn, Henry W. Stanford, N. S. Smith, Stoneville.

PRICE - Jason Barnes, Charles L. Smith, Price.

WENTWORTH - Robert M. Hancock, Wentworth; John Y. McCollum, Pleasantville; J. W. Summers, Berry; J. R. Moore, T. E. Morphis, Wentworth.

NEW BETHEL - W. I. Witty, Thomas B. Wilson, Hogan; Samuel A. Price, Geneva; James N. McCollum, Bason; A. H. Garrett, R. F. D. No. 1, Summerfield.

REIDSVILLE - J. C. Gardner, D. W. Hightower, John B. Johnston, S. M. Hazell, James H. Bennett, James M. Harris, J. N.

Craig, Reidsville.

RUFFIN - J. A. Gibson, Lawsonville; R. H. Johnson, Lawsonville; A. N. Atkinson, Mayfield; W. A. Pritchett, Benj. Smith Atlee.

HUNTSVILLE - Andrew Middleton, Gentry; Dodson Nelson, Rocky Springs; L. A. Southern, Stokesdale.

WILLIAMSBURG - George T. Davis, Reidsville; J. T. Thompson, Reidsville; T. H. R. Pritchett, Reidsville.

LEAKSVILLE - J. W. Brodnax, J. A. Hopper, B. K. Terry, S. P. Jarrett, J. P. Wilson, Leaksville.

Public School Teachers.

Bennett, Miss Maymie, Reidsville.
Bennett, Miss Sallie S., Reidsville.
Bennett, Miss Lillie, Reidsville.
Borum, Miss Bessie, Ruffin.
Baker, Miss Maude, Reidsville.
Barham, Miss Lucy E., Mayodan.
Baughn, Mrs. Hannah D., Price.
Brookbank, Grover C., Oak Ridge.
Carter, Miss Lizzie, Heggie.
Carter, Miss Emma, Heggie.
Carroll, Miss Laura R., R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.

Chambers, Miss Mary, Madison.
Craig, Miss Marion, Reidsville.
Cobb, Miss Maude L., Reidsville.
Cobb, Miss Sallie, Mayfield.
Cunningham, Miss Mildred, Madison.
Dixon, A. C., R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
Deshazo, Miss Mattie, Spencer, VA.
Deshazo, George W., Spray.
Dameron, S. B., Hopper.
Dameron, Miss Nannie A., Hopper.
Fitzgerald, Miss Isla, Ruffin.
Fagg, Miss Cassie, Stoneville.
Fagg, Miss Maude C., Stoneville.
Goolsby, Robert M., Intelligence.
Goolsby, Miss Eliza, Intelligence.
Gibbs, Miss Katie, Reidsville.
Gentry, Miss Fannie, Madison.
Gentry, Miss Minnie, Madison.
Gilliam, Miss Exie, Thompsonville.
Gilliam, Miss Mattie E., Thompsonville.
Garrett, Miss Mary, Matrimony.
Horsford, Miss Lucy, Scalesville.
Harris, Miss Mamie, Summerfield.
Hundley, Miss Annie, Leaksville.
Hamlin, Miss Martha, Leaksville.
Hamlin, Miss Eliza S., Leaksville.
Holland, A. J., Price.
Hall, Miss Mattye, Reidsville.
Humphries, J. K., Ruffin.
Humphries, Mrs. J. K., Ruffin.
Ivie, Miss Mollie, Leaksville.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1904

Joyce, Miss Mollie, Sandy Ridge.
 Jones, Miss Ruby L., R. F. D. No. 1, Reidsville.
 Jones, Miss Cordell, Reidsville.
 King, Miss Minnie S., Como, Va.
 Lemons, Miss Augusta, R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Lemons, Miss Queen, R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Loving, Miss Cora, R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Loving, Miss Emma, R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Lewis, Mrs. Nannie, R. F. D. No. 1, Reidsville.
 McDonald, Miss Lelia, R. F. D. No. 4, Reidsville.
 McCollum, Miss Nora, R. F. D. No. 1, Summerfield.
 Malloy, Miss Lelia, R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Malloy, Miss Nettie, R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Malloy, Miss Mollie, R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Moore, Miss Maude, R. F. D. No. 4, Reidsville.
 McCargo, Miss Jes. E., R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Martin, Miss Sadie F., Madison.
 Paschall, Miss Fannie S., Lenox Castle.
 Pritchett, Miss Loula, Atlee.
 Price, J. R., Roanoke.
 Pratt, Miss Pearl, Madison.
 Rodenkizer, Miss Lillian, Leaksville.
 Rawley, Miss Alice, Ruffin.
 Rawley, Miss Janie, Ruffin.
 Royall, L. I., Stoneville.
 Rominger, Miss Katharine, Reidsville.
 Small, C. O., R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Mrs. C. O. Small, R. F. D. No. 2, Reidsville.
 Sharp, J. M., Intelligence.
 Sharp, Joseph A., Intelligence.
 Sharp, C. R., Intelligence.
 Stokes, Miss Marion S., Reidsville.
 Schoolfield, Miss Stella, Reidsville.
 Saunders, Miss Helen, Leaksville.
 Saunders, Miss Annie, Leaksville.
 Saunders, Miss Lucy, Leaksville.
 Saunders, Miss Lucy, Lenox Castle.
 Smith, Miss Ada, Malloy.
 Snead, Miss Lila, Stoneville.
 Stanford, W. A., Stoneville.
 Truitt, J. S., R. F. D. No. 1, Summerfield.
 Terry, Miss Leillie, R. F. D. No. 5, Reidsville.
 Taylor, Miss Elizabeth, Leaksville.

Tulluck, Miss Lillian, Reidsville.
 Turner, Miss Eliza, Reidsville.
 Trogdon, Mrs. Loula C., R. F. D., Stoneville.
 Tucker, Thomas, Madison.
 Walker, G. T., Reidsville.
 Whittemore, Miss Bessie, Wentworth.
 Williams, Miss Fannie H., Leaksville.
 Watlington, J. H., Benaja.
 Vanhook, Miss Maude, Benaja.
 Watkins, Miss Nancy N., Madison.
 Weathersbee, Mrs. L. W., Mayodan.
 McGehee, Miss Irene, Madison.

Ministers not in Towns.

METHODIST - D. E. Field, Leaksville;
 H. C. Byrum, Ruffin; W. B. Humble, Supply at Roanoke.
 BAPTIST - E. P. Ellington, Reidsville.

Schools and Academies.

SHARPE INSTITUTE - J. M. Sharpe, Principal, Intelligence.
 RUFFIN HIGH SCHOOL.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Hotel Lewis, Stoneville.
 Smith House, Stoneville.

Physicians not in Towns.

J. H. Thacker, Thomasville.
 C. R. Wharton, Ruffin.
 R. G. Wharton, Ruffin.
 J. R. Smith, Stoneville.
 Darian Smith, Price.
 F. P. Tucker, Ruffin.
 Thomas A. Boaz, Stoneville.
 Geo. M. Ivie, Stoneville.

Merchants not in Towns.

J. R. Shreve, Adelaide.
 L. B. Settle, Berry.
 G. B. Clark, Fitzgerald.
 J. T. Price, Geneva.
 J. H. Joyce & Son, Grogansville.
 J. G. Trent & Son, Langdon.
 O. L. Fitzgerald, Lawsonville.
 G. O. Motley, Lawsonville.
 Brunson & Perkinson, Spray.
 Laud & Weaver, Spray.
 W. J. Patterson, Spray.
 E. A. Self, Spray.
 W. E. Apple, Lenox Castle.
 D. B. Citty, Lenox Castle.
 W. S. McKinney, Lenox Castle.
 G. T. Cook, Mayfield.
 Gilley Bros., Nance.
 J. R. Adkins, Oregon.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY - 1904
WENTWORTH - 1904

W. R. French, Oregon.
T. J. Carter, Pleasantville.
W. J. Boone, Pritchett.
Price Bros., Roanoke.
Wm. M. Knight, Rocky Springs.
M. J. Fitzgerald & Co., Ruffin.
Mrs. A. J. Griffith, Ruffin.
W. H. Warriner & Co., Ruffin.
Worsham Bros., Ruffin.
Patrick H. Simpson, Simpson's Store.
W. H. Grogan, Stoneville.
Joe Harris, Stoneville.

G. M. Ivie, Stoneville.
L. W. Matthews, Stoneville.
T. P. Poole & Co., Stoneville.
N. S. Smith, Stoneville.
W. A. Stanford, Stoneville.
B. R. Stone, Stoneville.
R. L. Stone, Stoneville.
Joe Willis, Stoneville.
Norman & Fawcette, Thompsonville.
J. A. Gunn, Wentworth.
W. J. Grogan, Price.
Holland, Grogan & Co., Price.
R. P. Price & Sons, Price.
A. J. Gravett & Co., Hogan.
John M. Ellington, R. F. D. No. 3,
Reidsville.

Lumber Plants.

J. H. Walker & Co., Reidsville.
H. N. Binford, Madison.
Griffin Bros., Bason.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Davis Bros., Stoneville.
Nolen Bros., Stoneville.

Saloons.

Jim Taylor, Stoneville.

End of Rockingham County

WENTWORTH - 1904

Population 234.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - J. V. Price,
R. M. Hancock, J. E. Morphis.
POSTMASTER - John G. Mitchell.

Ministers and Churches.

METHODIST - A. S. Raper, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - No Pastor.

Schools and Academies.

WENTWORTH ACADEMY - Miss

WENTWORTH - 1904
MADISON - 1904

Marie Trotter, President.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Reid Hotel - Miss Nannie Wright, Prop.
Wentworth Hotel.
June Mitchell.

Lawyers.

Reuben D. Reid.
P. W. Glidewell.
Ira R. Humphreys.

Doctors.

Sam Ellington.

General Merchandise.

John W. Mitchell.
D. L. Withers.
J. G. Mitchell & Son.
Martin Bros.

End of Wentworth

MADISON. 1904

Incorporated in 1815.
Population 987.
Value of real estate, \$225,000.
Value of personal property, \$50,000.
No. White polls, 96.
No. Colored polls, 35.
Tax rate, 25c. on \$100.
Bonded debt, \$8,000.
Election held first Monday in May every
two years.

Town Officers.

MAYOR - H. N. Binford.
CLERK - J. M. Galloway.
TREASURER - J. M. Galloway.
TAX COLLECTOR - Samuel Smith.
CHIEF OF POLICE - H. T. Pratt.
POLICEMAN - Alex. Pool.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN - C. B. Pratt,
J. M. Galloway, B. F. McGehee, G. W.
Martin, M. P. Black, P. J. Nichols.
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - W. B.
Scarborough, Principal.
CITY SCHOOL COMMITTEE - C. B.
McAnally, C. B. Pratt.
POSTMASTER - C. B. McAnally, (Pro
Tem.)
R. R. AGENT - M. W. Gant, T. J.
Teague.
EXPRESS AGENT - M. W. Gnt.

Ministers and Churches.

EPISCOPAL - F. A. Fetter, Rector.

MADISON - 1904

METHODIST - W. M. Robbins, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - No Pastor.
BAPTIST - No Pastor.

Schools and Academies.

MADISON HIGH SCHOOL - W. B. Scarborough, Principal.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Southern Hotel, J. P. Lewis.
Merchants Hotel, R. M. Roberts.

Banks and Bankers.

BANK OF MADISON - J. M. Galloway,
President; J. O. Ragsdale, Cashier. Capital
\$10,000; Surplus and Profits, \$2,100.

Barber Shops.

Frank Gibson.
J. P. Powers.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.

S. A. Sharp.
A. R. Williams.

Books and Stationary.

C. B. McAnally.

Contractors and Builders.

P. J. Nichols.
W. T. Chambers.

Coal and Wood.

Nat. M. Pickett.
Samuel Smith.

Dealers in Tobacco.

G. W. Martin.
McGehee Bros. & Co.
J. M. Vaughn.

Dentists.

J. A. Roach.
J. J. Van Noppen.

Doctors.

C. B. McAnally.
R. C. Matheson.

Druggists.

Madison Pharmacy, C. B. McAnally, Prop.
& R. C. Matheson.

Dress-Makers.

Mrs. Warren.
Miss Martha Stamps.
Mrs. W. H. Carter.

General Merchandise.

McGehee Bros. & Co.
D. W. Busick & Son.
Black & Gravely.
Penn Hardware & Furniture Co.
Moore & Pickett.
W. C. Jones & Co.
Pratt Bros.
T. C. Black.

Insurance Agencies.

J. O. Ragsdale.
D. W. Busick.

Job Printing Offices.

W. H. Curtis.

Lawyers.

C. O. McMichael.

Lumber M'rs and Dealers.

W. A. Webster.
Jesse Pratt.
B. M. Cahill.
H. N. Binford.
Fagg Bros.

Newspapers and Editors.

MADISON OBSERVER - W. H. Curtis,
Editor and Proprietor.

Painters.

J. Wheeler.
R. G. Vaden.

Real Estate Agents.

C. O. McMichael.

Stenographers.

Miss Loula D. Foy.

Saloons.

J. W. Carter.
A. M. Webster.

Sales and Livery Stables.

W. C. Jones.
E. P. Cahill.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.

J. M. Gant.
T. J. Teague.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.

C. B. McAnally.
W. C. Jones.

MADISON - 1904
SPRAY - 1904

Wholesale Groceries.
Madison Grocery Co.

End of Madison.

SPRAY - 1904

Population, 6,750 (Estimated.)

CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL - G. W. Deshazo, Principal.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - C. E. Kluge, Z. T. Hamilton, W. R. Walker.
POSTMASTER - J. D. Martin.
R. R. AGENT - S. M. Harris.
EXPRESS AGENT - S. M. Harris.

Ministers and Churches.

BAPTIST - C. A. Jenkins, Pastor.
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST - Rev. Mr. Spangler, Pastor.
METHODIST - A. L. Stanford, Pastor.
CHRISTIAN - No Pastor.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

Colonnade Hotel, Mrs. W. D. Stocks, Prop.
S. P. Jarrett.

Books and Stationary.

Spray Mercantile Co.
W. T. Bueding.

Barber Shops.

George Robertson.
C. A. Jones.
P. Roberson.

Butchers and Dealers of Cattle.

Low & Reght.
A. P. Robertson.
John W. Clodfelter.
David Wilson.

Contractors and Builders.

J. M. Hopper.
J. R. Perdue.
Charles Field.
P. Hopper.

Cotton Mills.

LEAKSVILLE COTTON MILLS - B. F. Mebane, President; W. R. Walker, Secretary and Treasurer.

SPRAY COTTON MILLS - G. A. Mebane, President; W. R. Walker, Secretary and Treasurer.

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LILLY COTTON MILLS - B. F. Mebane, President; J. S. McAlister, Treasurer.

NANTUCKET COTTON MILLS - R. F. Mebane, President; J. S. McAlister, Secretary and Treasurer.

AMERICAN WAREHOUSE CO. - F. L. Fuller, President; I. M. Ellett, Secretary and Treasurer.

Doctors.

John Sweeney.
J. B. Ray.
S. L. Martin.
H. T. Martin.
Dr. Murphy.
A. B. Johns.

Druggists.

Spray Mercantile Co.
Spray Drug & Chemical Co.

Dress-Makers.

Miss Ellen Self.
Miss Pattie Dyer.
Miss Addie Ray.

Dealers in Ice.

Wilson Company.
R. D. Jordan.

Dealers in Grain and Seed.

Spray Mercantile Co.

General Merchandise.

Spray Mercantile Co.
J. M. Joyce.
W. D. Wells.
W. D. Flynn.
John Artis.
Jones & Pace.
E. Emerson.
C. E. Hubbard.

Insurance Agents.

W. T. Ferguson.

Painters.

J. W. Robertson.

Retail Grocers.

Spray Mercantile Co.
W. D. Wells.
Spray Racket Store.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Wilson Livery Co.

SPRAY - 1904

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.
W. B. Weaver.
INTERNATIONAL - Jones Norman M'gr.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.
BELL - Haller Woodson, Manager.

Water Company and Officers.
SPRAY WATER POWER AND LAND
CO. - B. F. Mebane, President; W. R. Walker, Secretary.
LEAKSVILLE HOUSE AND POWER
CO. - J. S. McAlister, President; D. F. King, Treasurer.

Woolen Mills.
LEAKSVILLE WOOLEN MILLS - H. P. Foard, President; John Morehead, Secretary and Treasurer.

SPRAY WOOLEN MILLS - B. F. Mebane, President; A. E. Millner, Secretary and Treas.

End of Spray

LEAKSVILLE. - 1904

Incorporated in 1873.
Population, 688.
Value of real estate, \$172,000.
Value of personal property, \$90,000.
No. white polls, 200.
No. colored polls, 100.
Tax rate, 20c. on \$100.

Town Officers.
MAYOR - E. E. Richardson.
CLERK - A. T. Hopper.
TREASURER - A. T. Hopper.
TAX COLLECTOR - H. F. Moir.
ATTORNEY - A. D. Ivie.
POLICEMAN - H. F. Moir.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN - T. F. Williamson, J. M. Hopper, J. B. Taylor.
CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - M. L. Ivie, Principal.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE - J. H. Lane, J. M. Price, S. A. Turner.
POSTMASTER - D. M. Vernon.
R. R. AGENT - Chas. N. Deshazo.
EXPRESS AGENT - Chase. N. Deshazo.

Ministers and Churches.
BAPTIST - C. A. Jenkins, Pastor.
PRESBYTERIAN - M. W. Dogget, Pastor.
METHODIST - A. L. Stanford, Pastor.
EPISCOPAL - F. A. Fetter, Rector.

LEAKSVILLE. - 1904

Schools and Academies.
Leaksville Practical High School - B. E. Goode, Principal.

Hotels and Boarding Houses.
Hopper Hotel.
Mrs. P. R. Millner.

Barber Shops.
Rawley Dillard.

Banks and Bankers.
BANK OF LEAKSVILLE - W. R. Walker, President; A. E. Millner, Cashier. Capital \$10,000; Surplus and Profit, \$2,886.

Butchers and Dealers in Cattle.
S. B. Dillard.

Books and Stationary.
T. W. Field.

Contractors and Builders.
J. M. Hopper.
C. F. Field.

Confectionery Dealers.
L. A. Martin & Co.

Clothing, Hats and Men's Furnishings.
M. Heiner.

Dealers in Ice.
Sam Dillard.
Williamson & Co.

Dealers in Tobacco.
J. B. Taylor.
T. G. Taylor.
W. S. Williams.
D. F. King.

Dentists.
Elmer E. Richardson.
B. J. Field.

Doctors.
A. B. Johns.
W. S. Martin.
S. L. Martin.
B. J. Field.
J. B. Ray.

Druggists.
Pemberton Drug Co.

LEAKSVILLE. - 1904

Dress-Makers.

Mrs. Fannie Moir.
Miss Sue White Harris.
Miss Mollie Dyer.

Dry Goods and Notions.

D. E. Field.
T. W. Field.
Mrs. T. Lee Millner.

Dealers in Grain and Seed.

D. E. Field.
Williamson & Co.
D. F. King.

Furniture Dealers.

J. C. Harris.

General Merchandise.

Ivie Bros.
B. F. Ivie & Co.
Williamson & Co.

Carriage Manufacturers.

J. H. Hampton Buggy Co.

Hardware Dealers.

Leaksville Hardware Co.

Insurance Agencies.

Jones Norman.
J. N. Price.
Goodwin, Toraine & Co.
C. N. Deshazo
Ed. Emerson.

Job Printing Offices.

J. T. Darlington.

Lawyers.

A. D. Ivie.

Lumber M'frs and Dealers.

James Hopper.
D. F. King.
C. F. Field.

Machinery Dealers.

J. W. Benson.
J. H. Hampton.
S. W. Rainey.

Millinery and Fancy Goods.

Mrs. T. Lee.

Music Teachers.

Mrs. T. W. Field.

LEAKSVILLE. - 1904 REIDSVILLE. - 1904

Miss Katie Williams.
Miss Daisy King.
Miss Eleanor Price.

Newspapers and Editors.

LEAKSVILLE GAZETTE - J. T.
Darlington, Editor.

Pianos and Organs.

Piano and Organ Co.
R. J. Bowen.
J. W. Hinson.

Painters.

Gravely Dyer.
Homer Hurt.

Retail Grocers.

D. F. King.
Leaksville Grocery Co.
B. F. Ivie & Co.
Williamson & Co.
Ivie Bros.

Sewing Machine Agents.

R. J. Bowen.

Sales and Livery Stables.

Ivie Bros.

Telegraph Offices and M'grs.

C. N. Deshazo.

Telephone Exchanges & M'grs.

LEAKSVILLE AND SPRAY - J. B.
Deshazo.

Tobacco Manufacturers.

D. F. King.
B. F. Ivie.
J. B. Taylor.

Tobacco Warehouses.

Enterprise, Wilson & Co.
King's, Taylor Bros.

Watches and Jewelry.

C. T. Ross.

End of Leaksville.

REIDSVILLE. - 1904

Population, 3,262.

Town Officers.

MAYOR - P. D. Watt.

REIDSVILLE. - 1904

CLERK - James T. Smith.

TREASURER - R. T. Williams.

TOWN COMMISSIONERS - W. B.

Wray, R. T. Williams, C. A. Penn, J. B.

Pipkin, D. R. Allen.

SUPT. WATER WORKS AND

ELECTRIC LIGHTS - R. H. Milton.

TAX COLLECTOR - J. W. Peay.

CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - S. G.

Harden, Supt.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE - R. W.

Morphis, C. A. Rominger, W. P. Watt, R. T.

Williams, W. N. Womack, J. G. Staples.

POSTMASTER - J. F. Wray.

R. R. AGENT - N. C. Thompson.

EXPRESS AGENT - N.C. Thompson.

Ministers and Churches.

MAIN STREET - (Methodist) - T. E.

Wagg, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST - C. L. Greaves, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN - D. I. Craig, Pastor.

ST. THOMAS - (Episcopal) - F. A. Fetter,
Rector.

SCALES STREET PRIMITIVE

BAPTIST - L. H. Hardy, Pastor.

WARE'S CHAPEL - (Methodist) - W. P.

Ware, Pastor.

Schools and Academies.

REIDSVILLE FEMALE SEMINARY.

REIDSVILLE GRADED SCHOOLS - (2)

Hotels and Boarding Houses.

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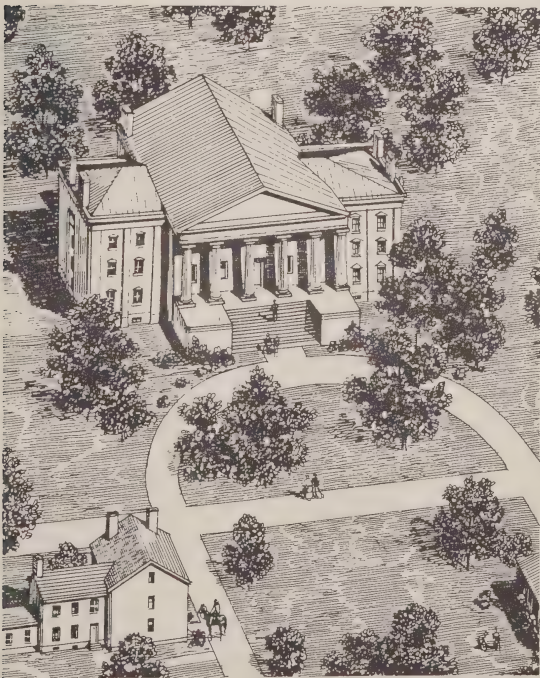
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Transylvania University in Kentucky was chartered in 1780. By 1841 its medical department was called the "best endowed medical school in America." Transylvania University was the medical school attended by several of the early doctors in Madison.

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The EARLY DOCTORS of MADISON, North Carolina

By Charles D. Rodenbough

In the Reidsville Times on June 8, 1888, there appears one of those few local bits of history told by contemporaries that affords a glimpse of a single aspect of the life in a community over an extended span of time. It is a reprint that had previously appeared in the Madison Leader written in the form of a recollection that sometimes leaves tantalizing oversights. Even the name of the author is missing, for some reason shrouded in a pseudonym. There is more known about these men from other sources. Using the original article as a form and time line, we can review other facts known about the life and contribution of doctors to one North Carolina town through the middle of the 19th century.

Madison's M. D.'s Past and Present

Below I will give your readers the names of the resident M. D.'s since 1831.

Dr. J. Curry left Madison in 1832, settled east of Wentworth, and spent the remainder of his days farming; was killed by the kick of a horse. Dr. A. W. Scales and R. H. Dalton, Levy and Wilson succeeded Curry. Scales was a visionary man, built air castles and lived in them. He left in 1839 for Kentucky, and died in a Federal prison. He lost several sons, neither of whom died a natural death. Dalton left in February, 1835 for Tuscaloosa, Alabama, returned in 1885, and left again in 1887 for St. Louis, Mo. Levy stayed but a short time, as his wife died soon after his arrival. She was interred in the old burying ground on the banks of the Dan, which is a beautiful location east of the residence of J. M. Vaughn. Her grave is enclosed with a brick wall in which grows a good-sized hickory tree. Wilson was a steam doctor; his boiler soon bursted and he left for parts unknown. Dr. R. Z. Wall settled in Madison in 1836 and left for Missouri in 1839. Dr. J. L. Oliver came in 1838; he had quite a lucrative practice, which enabled him to purchase the fine farm now owned by Mr. J. M. Vaughn. He died a member of the Presbyterian Church Feb. 14th, 1847. Dr. T. Reynolds came about 1845; left in 1847. Drs. T. F. M. Coyle and H. Staples came in 1856. Coyle left in 1863 for Thomasville, Ga. He died a member of the Presbyterian church in a few years after he left. Staples left in 1869 for Montgomery, Ala. Dr. W. W. Oliver and R. Gallaway came in 1849. Oliver soon quit the practice of medicine and turned his attention to farming. He died a member of the Presbyterian church in 1879. Dr. Gallaway left in 1876 and settled in Davidson County. Like Noah's dove, he wandered around and came back to the old starting point in 1882, and in 1887 he again left for Reidsville where he now resides. Dr. B. F. Foy settled in 1860, and died some ten or twelve years since. Drs. Charlie Smith and P. Hay came in 1862. Smith died in a short time; Hay left in 1882 for Reidsville, he is there now in full practice. T. W. Dandridge came

soon after Lee's surrender, and died soon after Tilden's election. Spencer came in 1870, remained two or three years, moved to Winston, and is now, I think, a citizen of Manchester, Va. Dr. W. R. Smith settled in Madison in 1872; died a member of the Presbyterian church in 1887. R. D. Hay came in 1873; moved to Winston in 1876, where he died in 1885. Carter came in 1879, and left soon after his marriage to a Miss Kallum. The present resident physicians are Carter, McAnally and Wall.

Exile

The date of 1835 that Exile uses as his first point of recollection corresponds with the second period of developing growth for Madison. Prior to that time, there was only a limited concentration of building within the ninety-six lot area that Randal Duke Scales had set aside for his town. There were as yet no churches and most of the plantation merchants still operated outside the community.¹ There was an academy that attracted students who resided in homes in the town and there was probably some kind of hotel for farmers and traders who brought furs, livestock, and produce to be taken down the Dan River for markets. Another indicator that Madison was taking root as a town was the fact that Drs. James Currie, Robert Hunter Dalton, Levy and Wilson all located there for a time. The reality that all of these men, however, had moved by the end of the decade, shows that prospects of Madison being much of an area of opportunity, were slight.

In examining the lives of these doctors in greater detail, there are some recurring similarities which can be stretched into characteristics. None of the doctors stayed long. If they were born in Madison, they moved away after a brief period of time and if they died in Madison, they were not natives of the area. There is the impression that, if they had lived longer, even these men would have moved on. One explanation was that most of the best trained had traveled so far to complete their education that they had already severed the ties to home that made leaving so wrenching for other people. Also, this travel had introduced them to attractive opportunities in other states. Each had a profession to offer that in pioneer towns would be in immediate demand. For those about whom we have a more complete biography, there was not one move but several during a lifetime.

Earlier records indicate that there was little uniformity in the education required before a man could practice medicine. Like the legal profession, there was a type of apprentice system of study usually preceding formal training at a medical school. In later years, this sequence would be reversed by the intern programs that followed medical school. An individual like Robert Hunter Dalton

did not have to have a diploma before starting to practice medicine although it seems that before there was public acceptance, there was at least some formal training. One of the first aims of the North Carolina Medical Society when it was re-established in 1849 was to set professional standards in terms of education for doctors in the state.² The society limited its membership to doctors who were "either a graduate in Medicine of some respectable Medical School, or has been a practitioner for at least five years; and who, moreover, is in good moral and professional standing in the place where he resides, and is a regular practitioner."³

An analysis of the profession just over the border in Virginia says that "until the Civil War, medicine was what it always had been, a dignified and respected profession, followed by men of good breeding and education, trained largely at the North and in Europe, but none the less wedded to antique theories, and possessing a strange veneration for authority."⁴

The early medical schools most attended among our subject doctors were Transylvania College in Lexington, Kentucky and the two medical colleges in Philadelphia. Transylvania provided many of the doctors to the frontier. The two schools in Philadelphia, the University of Pennsylvania and Jefferson Medical College, were particularly popular with students from the South. Of the 5,501 graduates of the medical school at the University of Pennsylvania up to 1860, 4,254 were from the South. Of that total, the 1,749 graduates from Virginia and 649 from North Carolina represented more than half.⁵

Following the Civil War, all medical training in the Southern states suffered the blighting handicaps of the war and the poverty of Reconstruction. A student at the Medical College of Virginia in 1879 recalled that each year there were not more than five or six cadavers available for dissection. "The bodies - mostly negroes - were preserved not by refrigeration but in vats and by arterial injections - an unsatisfactory method, which meant that even these few subjects had to be dissected speedily before decomposition made the task too difficult for even the seasoned medical students." There was an illustration of how these few bodies came to be available for the students.

"The body snatchers! They have come
And made a snatch of me;
It's very hard them kind of men
Won't let a body be!
Don't go to weep upon my grave,
And think that there I be;
They haven't left an atom there
Of my anatomy!"⁶

There is a discernable family connection between the men who, over the entire period, served as doctors in Madison. Dr. A. W. Scales was the brother-in-law of Dr. Thomas Coyle. Dr. Randal Duke Hay and his brother, Pleasant Hay, were nephews. Dr. Walter R. Smith married Elizabeth and when she died, her sister, Sarah Scales and his sister was married to Dr. William W. Oliver. Drs. Robert Hunter Dalton and Robert Gallaway were also related through this Scales family. But before these relationships are credited with the wrong significance, it is evident that social position and degree of wealth is the common factor most at play. It is only the higher level of society that had the money to encourage its children into professions that required advance education and in rural Rockingham County, levels of society tried assiduously to intermarry within their strata.

There were some residents outside the profession who did seem to influence more than one individual to locate in Madison. The previously mentioned Major Wall encouraged Dr. Robert Hunter Dalton by purchasing instruments and medicine in Philadelphia for the young doctor to begin his practice and advanced him the money to pay for these supplies without solicitation thus strongly obligating the young physician to start his practice in Madison.⁷ Wall possibly made similar encouragements toward his brother, Richard Zachary Robert Wall, leading that young man to begin his practice in Madison and subsequently influencing his move with Mason Wall to Missouri.⁸

Randal Duke Scales must have encouraged his brother, Absalom Walker Scales, to come to his new town as a doctor. When Dr. Scales moved away, the feeling of obligation probably sent his brother-in-law, Thomas Coyle, to Madison as his replacement. So public spirited citizens recognized from the start that no gathering of houses and stores fully lived up to the title of town without a resident doctor.

The earliest settlers of Rockingham County seldom had access to doctors. Survival often lay in the use of some ancient homemade concoction of wild roots and berries. For a few who could make the journey, the Moravian towns of Wachovia offered the nearest trained doctor.

The public record indicates that the earliest doctor located in Rockingham was Dr. John Coats Cox who settled at Rockingham Springs in 1790.⁹ Cox established himself there concurrent with the arrival of the Scottish merchant, John Lenox, who was to acquire the mineral springs and give to it the more dramatic name, Lenox Castle.¹⁰ According to the Moravians, Cox had come from Europe and he had "practiced in various parts of Europe and America and

particularly in the West Indies.”¹¹ Dr. Cox’s professional talents were considered so outstanding that the Moravians, for a time, came to him as a consultant and the mineral cure at Rockingham Springs under Cox was used by several of their more chronically ill.¹² He was one of the early purchasers of a lot in the town of Leaksville when they were offered in 1795 by John Leak and he subsequently moved there. By 1800 he was an agent for the 26,000 acre Farley Estate (formerly William Byrd’s “Land of Eden”). That year he paid two of the Farley heirs, Elizabeth Carter Shippen and George Tucker, £250.16.8 in rent for part of the Sauratown Estate.¹³ A daughter of Dr. Cox, Ann Bargrove, married Tinsley Vernon who was himself a doctor. By 1819, the Cox family had migrated to Rutherford County, Kentucky.¹⁴

Another doctor living in Rockingham County in 1790, according to the census, was Dr. Benjamin Jones, who was employed to rebuild and operate the Troublesome Ironworks.¹⁵ He was fully occupied in this task although his services as a doctor were available to the community. He received his training during the Revolutionary War under a surgeon, Dr. White, and Jones himself became a surgeon.¹⁶ In 1791, President George Washington, while on his southern tour, had breakfast with the Jones family at the Ironworks.¹⁷ In 1792, the Jones family moved to Henry County, Virginia.

The first doctor in the Madison area was Dr. Robert Hunter, a son of Col. James Hunter. He was born in 1782 and although nothing is recorded about the place of his medical training, he must have started his practice serving the wide area of western Rockingham and eastern Stokes counties about 1805.¹⁸ Family notes say he “was making money and fame rapidly,” when while hunting on Thomas Searcy’s place south of the Dan River from Madison, he accidentally shot himself.¹⁹ That was in 1812 and the young doctor was just 28.

By the decade of the 1830’s, there was still no doctor in Madison. Dr. E. T. Brodnax was in full practice at “Sauratown” near Leaksville. The nearest surgeon was probably Dr. White who was near enough in Virginia for the Hunter family to summons him in 1812 to perform complicated leg surgery.²⁰

Thus we come to the Madison doctors as listed in order by “Exile.”

Dr. James Currie was born in 1796, the son of James and Sarah Black Currie of Caswell County, North Carolina. His family lived near Griers Presbyterian Church in southern Casewell County.²¹ The length of his practice in Madison seems short but Dr. Robert Hunter Dalton says that he practiced with Currie in the years 1831-32.²² Currie lived in Madison with his wife, the former Mary Ann Wright. Her parents were Col. John J. Wright and Elizabeth Scales Wright. When they left town in 1832, they returned to the Troublesome Creek area and

purchased acreage on Piney Creek in the Sandy Cross area of Rockingham County. There they expanded a log structure into a frame home that stood until 1977.²³ The Curries were members of the Speedwell Church and by 1834 James was an Elder in the church. Throughout his life he remained an active church leader.²⁴ He became Superintendent of the county public schools and served as a Justice of the Peace and, as "Exile" indicates, his medical practice was secondary. His farm was a productive tract that he tended with the help of fifteen slaves. On May 22, 1855, Dr. Currie had taken his riding horse to be shod at David Woollen's blacksmith's shop. During the process, the horse kicked him in the stomach and he died before the end of the day.²⁵

Dr. Absalom Walker Scales, the brother of the founder of the town of Madison, was the son of Peter and Oney Walker Scales.²⁶ He was born in Rockingham County about 1790.²⁷ For a period of time he was away in school and returned about 1833 with his wife, the former Eleanor Coyle of Kentucky.²⁸ They lived first on the south side of Decatur Street in the northeast corner of the town.²⁹ In 1838 they bought a lot on Academy Street, across from the Academy, and built a three room log house.³⁰ There were five children: Rebecca, Walker, William, Thomas, and Eleanor and the family seemed well settled when Eleanor Coyle Scales died suddenly.³¹ She was buried on the Randal Duke Scales Plantation. In his grief, A. W. Scales took his children and returned to their mother's home in Kentucky where the family settled. In 1841 what was left of his property in Madison was sold by the High Sheriff "by virtue of sundry Writs Vendi Expo."³²

Dr. Robert Hunter Dalton, the seventh of the thirteen children of Nicholas and Rachel Hunter Dalton, was born February 21, 1805 on Beaver Island Creek in Rockingham County.³³ The Hunter and Dalton families were better educated than most of their neighbors. Robert received all his early education in plantation schools and at the nearby academy in Madison. He had initially planned to attend the University of North Carolina and to follow law as a profession. He began teaching school, however, in Surry County to raise money and read law at night, a practice that adversely affected his health. As a result, he determined to change to medicine as a career, "that I might preserve my own health." He added as justification, that the study of medicine "then was a much more honorable profession than it is now, and fully equal to that of law and theology."³⁴ He began in 1824 as a student with Dr. William Hereford at Leatherwood in Henry County, Virginia. In November of 1825 he was invited by Dr. Edward T. Brodnax to come to his home, "Sauratown", near Leaksville, to study without charge. In the fall of 1826 he used his money he had made

teaching school to travel to Lexington, Kentucky to attend the lectures at Transylvania College. He studied there under doctors Dudley, Drake, and Caldwell until his money ran out and he was forced to return home without graduating in 1827. His intention was to return to school immediately but his cousin, Dr. James Hunter, of Guilford County was about to move to Tennessee and he offered that rather large medical practice at Big Oak, later Hillsdale. Dalton remained there for three and a half years. He had by then put aside some cash and went to Philadelphia where in six months in 1831 he completed his formal medical education at "the Alms House and studying in the Great Wistar Museum."³⁵ I heard the last lectures of the celebrated Drs. Physick and James, and their names are on my diploma."³⁶ He became friends while there with Matter Bernard, a young millionaire from Savannah, Georgia, who wanted to furnish him money to continue his education in Paris but Dalton declined. There was a loose co-partnership formed there with a classmate named Wharton from Virginia and they made ambitious plans to settle on a practice in St. Louis, Missouri in November. They dreamed of making enough money to allow them to eventually go to Paris to study. Dr. Dalton bought, "a \$100 suite(sic) from Watkins and Shellerine and a fine set of surgical instruments from Doser's" and returned to his parents home. This was when Major Mason Wall took a special interest in him and advanced him, "without solicitation," \$400 to buy books, instruments and a small stock of medicines. Wall himself made the purchases while on a mercantile buying trip to Philadelphia.³⁷ Thus prepared, Dalton began what was intended as a temporary partnership with Dr. James Currie in Madison until the time to leave for St. Louis. That trip never happened as one evening at Dr. Currie's home he met, for a second time, Miss Jane Henderson, recently moved from New Bern to "Mt Pleasant", the Henderson home on Upper Hogan's Creek. They had first met at Dr. Hereford's in 1824 and now he recorded, "the holy passion which had slumbered so long in despair, was kindled up like lightening in my ear."³⁸ They were married on Old Christmas Day, January 6, 1832 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at "Mt. Pleasant." The young couple settled at Madison and Dr. Dalton continued there with what he called a large practice until December 1834.

In August of the year of their marriage, Dalton bought a lot in Madison in the northeast corner of Murphey and Dalton Streets on which Zachariah Fewell apparently had built a house about 1830.³⁹ The home, which faced Murphey, was sold in February 1835 and after settling other items of business, Dr. Dalton and his family left, by way of Tennessee, to settle in Alabama.⁴⁰ He had gone to Livingston, Alabama to settle some business for his father-in-law. At Mr.

Henderson's new plantation in Sumpter County, Dalton decided the place had good prospects and there he remained. In 1845 Dalton moved to Aberdeen, Mississippi where he was living in 1846 when his father died. He did not return at that time to North Carolina.⁴¹ In 1853 his wife died. Dalton retained his residence in Aberdeen until 1867. During the war years, in 1861, on his way to join the army in Virginia, he had a brief visit with his family in Madison. After the war, Dalton finally made that earlier planned move to St. Louis and remained there, in practice, for eight years. He was living with a son in southern California when he wrote his memoirs in 1878.

"Exile" records his brief return from 1885 to 1887 to practice in Madison and then his return to St. Louis. In his final years he lived with a daughter in Tacoma, Washington where he died in 1900 at the age of 94.

Dr. Levy is not identified in the available public records although the inclusion of the story of his wife's death and burial indicates more than hearsay knowledge of the man. There are, however, some alternative possibilities for his identity. Dr. Robert Hunter Dalton, writing in 1878, describes a notorious fight between his brother, Samuel, and Anthony Dearing about 1820 after which a "Doctor Lovell" attended the combatants.⁴² Almost certainly, after the passage of so many years, "Exile" and Dr. Dalton are referring to the same person. Also the University of Pennsylvania Medical School lists a Moses Levy of Virginia as a student in 1831, the same year they listed Dr. Robert Hunter Dalton.⁴³

Another alternate possibility, however, concerns the identity of a Wilson C. Loving who deeded lot number 47 in Madison to Dr. A. M. Scales in 1833.⁴⁴ This deed does not note Loving as a doctor but it does say that he had (by 1833) moved from Madison to Fayette County, Tennessee. That would correspond with "Exile's" reference to the short stay of Dr. Levy in Madison.

Dr. Wilson, like Levy, leaves scant possibilities for identification in spite of the picturesque characterization that "Exile" makes of Wilson. In the same time frame, Emanuel Wilson purchased a lot number 35 in Madison from Randal Duke Scales and he sold it in 1851.⁴⁵ There was a Dr. Emanuel Wilson who practiced in the Ayersville-Sandy Ridge community around 1840 and he may have practiced briefly in Madison.⁴⁶

Dr. Richard Zachary Robert Wall was born in Rockingham County, the son of Richard and Susan Vernon Wall.⁴⁷ He received his undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina and his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He returned to practice only briefly in Madison but during that time married Mary Jane Covington of Stokes County.⁴⁸ On November 22, 1839, Dr. and Mrs. Wall were part of the one hundred forty four people migration that

moved to Henry County, Missouri. The Walls first settled south of Calhoun but in 1840 made their final home in the southwestern part of Johnson County. Wall built a very large practice and acquired considerable real estate before his death.⁴⁹

Dr. James L. Oliver, showed considerable promise in his short life. He is listed as a student at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in the year 1838.⁵⁰ He came to Madison to practice in 1840 at the age of twenty-six. He located his office on the north side of Murphey Street just west of the corner with Dalton. On one side was the residence of John P. Gibson and on the other, Pleasant S. Black.⁵¹ His success was rapid and in 1844, when Randal Duke Scales decided to move to Mississippi, Dr. Oliver bought his plantation.⁵² Oliver became involved in the development of the Madison Presbyterian Church and was one of the trustees appointed to build that church (1848).⁵³ In the fall of 1846, Madison was racked by an epidemic of typhoid fever and Dr. Oliver, having served the town through much of their suffering, in the end contracted the disease. In February 1847 he was the first person buried in the lot on Academy Street that he had given to the Presbyterian Church for a cemetery. On his stone those whom he had served during his brief life honored him as "their beloved physician."⁵⁴

Dr. Thomas Reynolds was born April 17, 1819. His parents, Pryor and Prudence Morehead Reynolds, were at that time living in Lawrence County, Alabama. He returned with his family to Rockingham County in 1827. After obtaining his medical degree, he settled in Madison in 1845 but remained just two years before moving to Leaksville. While in Madison, he married Sarah J. Fewell, daughter of William Fewell, who lived south of town across the Dan.⁵⁵ After a number of years in practice, ill health forced him to give up medicine and he went into the mercantile business.⁵⁶ He died August 28, 1872 and was buried in the Episcopal Cemetery.⁵⁷ One of his sons, Charles Albert, served as Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina from 1897 to 1901.⁵⁸

Dr. Thomas F. M. Coyle was persuaded, according to tradition, to come to Madison by his brother-in-law, Dr. Absalom Walker Scales. When Scales' wife, Eleanor Coyle Scales, died he is said to have moved with his children to their mother's home in Kentucky. There he encouraged her brother, Thomas, to take his practice in Madison.⁵⁹ Although "Exile" says that Coyle came in 1857, he appears on the 1850 census and other indications are that he came about 1845. He married Nancy Cardwell.⁶⁰ They built their home west of town near the Salem-Petersburg Road and in the yard Dr. Coyle had his office.⁶¹ One reference says that Coyle was Catholic but this is doubtful as he was Worshipful Grand Master of the Dan River Masonic Lodge Number 129.⁶² Mrs. Coyle and the

other members of the family were all members of the Presbyterian Church.⁶³ The connection with Kentucky leads to the assumption that both Coyle and Absalom Scales attended Transylvania Medical College.⁶⁴

Mrs. Coyle, her brother, Joseph Henry Cardwell and John dePuy Watkins, the new owner of Randal Duke Scales' plantation, all sent wagons to Cascade, Virginia, the Watkins' former home, and brought loads of boxwood bushes back to Madison. Watkins laid out extensive gardens at his new home that he called "Rural Retreat."⁶⁵ Cardwell created similar gardens east of Madison at his plantation, "Lone Island."⁶⁶ The Coyles planted their yard in a similar style.

"Exile" says that Coyle left Madison in 1863 for Thomasville, Georgia and soon after dies as a member of the Presbyterian Church, something he never was in Madison. Actually Coyle did not die until 1870. Records of the Madison Presbyterian Church show that in 1866, Mrs. Nancy L. Coyle requested a transfer of her membership to Monticello, Florida.⁶⁷ In 1867, Dr. and Mrs. Coyle sold their land in the Madison area to sons John and Cornelius and listed their place of residence as Madison County, Florida.⁶⁸ In 1870 Dr. Coyle made his will and listed his surviving children as Ellen, wife of William Mebane, William P., John, Cornelius, Laura and infant children: Joel, Corinna, Maria, and Nancy.⁶⁹

Dr. Hardin Staples is said by "Exile" to have come to Madison in 1856. The public records show, however, that Dr. Staples bought the Peter Scales home on the west side of Market Street between the Academy and Dalton Street in 1850.⁷⁰ The 1850 census shows Staples as thirty-six and a native of Virginia. His wife's name is Margaret and she was then twenty-five. They had sons, John, age four, born in Virginia and Hardin, age two, born in North Carolina. In their household was a Jane Hereford of Virginia, aged twenty-two. It is probable that it was Staples who altered the exterior house to its present eclectic form.⁷¹ Staples was related to the Hereford and Penn families of southwest Virginia so he probably came from that area.⁷² A diary notation in 1853 shows him acting as the family physician for the Watkins family at "Rural Retreat."⁷³

With Dr. Robert Gallaway he operated a drug store on Murphey Street.⁷⁴ Often doctors dispensed medication in this way augmenting the fees they derived for their diagnostic services. Other ages might have seen this as a conflict of interest. Drs. Staples and Gallaway advertised that they "have on hand and are constantly receiving, additional supplies of Pure and Fresh articles of Drugs, Medicines, etc., etc., to which they respectfully invite the attention of the Physicians and Citizens generally, of the surrounding country. Madison, NC, October 5, 1856."⁷⁵

Following the Civil War, Staples left Madison and "Exile" says he went to

Montgomery, Alabama but there are other indications that he eventually settled in Greensboro, North Carolina.⁷⁶

Dr. William W. Oliver was a brother of Dr. James L. Oliver and he came to Madison a year after James' early death. Like James, he was listed from "Madison, NC" as a student at the University of Pennsylvania in the years 1847-48.⁷⁷ The 1850 census shows him living at the A. P. Smith Hotel on the southeast corner of Murphey and Dalton Streets. He bought two lots on the northwest corner of Decatur and Market Streets and there appears to have built his residence.⁷⁸ In 1854, he married Eliza Louise Smith, the sister of Dr. Walter R. Smith.⁷⁹ Two years later they became members of the Madison Presbyterian Church.⁸⁰

During the Civil War, the Olivers rented the brick Twitchell House on the south side of Academy Street. The small house in the corner of the yard is said to have been the doctor's office.⁸¹ Late in the war, Oliver may have entered the Confederate Army and been captured by Union forces when they captured the hospital at Richmond, Virginia, April 3, 1865.⁸²

Dr. Oliver was active in the community and his church, where in 1871 he was elected a Deacon.⁸³ The family made at least two more moves in Madison, first to the William Scales house on Hunter Street, then to the former home of Dr. Absalom Walker Scales across from the Academy.⁸⁴ In that house he died in 1877.⁸⁵

"Exile" says Oliver gave up the medical practice to become a farmer sometime after the war. In 1863, he had begun buying tracts of farmland. It was a sign of the times when few had any money to pay a doctor but the farmer could at least put food on his table for his family. His farmland was located southeast of Madison and after his death, it was to the farm that his widow and children went to live.⁸⁶

Dr. Robert Gallaway was the son of Robert and Susan Satherwhite Carter Gallaway and he was born at the family plantation, "Eagle Falls," about eight miles east from Madison on the Dan River.⁸⁷ In 1849, Gallaway and his wife, Fanny, located in Madison and three years later purchased the brick Twitchell house from Joseph H. Cardwell.⁸⁸ They lived there until 1860 when they bought a frame house and eight acres just west of Madison on the Salem-Petersburg Road.⁸⁹

Gallaway joined the Madison Presbyterian Church in 1856 and in March was elected an Elder.⁹⁰ In this period there were eight doctors in the Madison area who were members of this church. Dr. Gallaway was the most active as a churchman but William W. Oliver, Walter R. Smith, Louis B. Spencer and Pleasant A. Hay were members as were Jesse Carter, who practiced near

Wentworth and Alfred E. Morton and A. E. Sykes whom "Exile" does not mention. They may both have practiced outside Madison.⁹¹

"Isaac" tells the story of an occasion when Dr. Gallaway attended the preaching of Rev. Stinson Ivey at the Baptist Church which, like the Presbyterian of that day, had the pulpit between the entrance doors. Just as Rev. Ivey made a derisive remark about "baby sprinkling"[infant baptism practiced by Presbyterians] Dr. Gallaway was summoned by someone outside and he quietly went out. He did not hear until later about Ivey's parting remark, "they always run when you throw hot shot at them." The next day, with horsewhip in hand, the doctor confronted the preacher in the store on the southeast corner of Murphey and Market, demanding that Ivey swallow his words or risk a whipping. Ivey complied "with alacrity."⁹²

Along with Dr. Staples, Gallaway operated the drug store at the corner of Murphey and Market Streets.⁹³ Following the economic collapse at the end of the Civil War, Gallaway moved his family to Davidson County near Joppa Church. That was in 1867 rather than 1876, perhaps a typographical transposition by the type setter.⁹⁴ He returned to Madison in 1872 resuming his practice.⁹⁵ Dr. Gallaway's health began to fail. In 1887, he moved again, this time to Reidsville and there he died, September 10, 1892.⁹⁶

Dr. Benjamin Franklin Foy was born in Madison in 1834 the son of John and Rebecca Webster Foy.⁹⁷ He was located in practice in his home town as early as 1856 when he advertised in the local paper as a Dental Surgeon:

"Benjamin F. Foy - Dental Surgeon, respectfully tenders his services to his friends and the public generally. - Ladies soliciting his services will be waited upon at their respective residences, or at his reception room at A. P. Smith's Hotel, a few doors below his office, Main Street, Madison, NC."⁹⁸

Dr. Foy's office was actually on the north side of Murphey Street, which is here called Main Street, and it was next to the office that had been built by Dr. James L. Oliver. That office had been used until 1856 as a law office by young Alfred M. Scales.⁹⁹

In 1859, Dr. Foy married Sallie M. Webster and after her death he married Martha E. Dolin, who survived him.¹⁰⁰ When Dr. Hardin Staples left Madison following the Civil War, his home on Market Street was purchased by Dr. Foy. In the depression of Reconstruction, Dr. Foy had to seek the protection of bankruptcy. His home was saved through the efforts of W. B. Carter.¹⁰¹ Dr. Foy retained the home until his death in 1876.¹⁰²



The Callaway-Smith house in Madison from the rear shows the doctor's office used by Dr. Walter Smith. It may have been built originally for Dr. Robert Gallaway but both families in their turn lived in the house. The office was attached to the main house during the occupancy of the Smith family.



The Birthplace and home of Dr. Walter Wall, son of Zachariah and Celia Matthews Wall located west of Madison.

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Dr. Charlie Smith was born in Virginia. He died in April 1860 at the age of twenty-five of “belous coniectin cholic.”¹⁰³ This adds precious little to “Exile’s” comment that “Smith died in a short time” but does prove that he came before 1862. The University of Pennsylvania Medical School lists a Charles P. Smith from ‘Exeter’ Rockingham County, NC as a student in 1851.¹⁰⁴

Dr. Pleasant A. Hay was born in Virginia, a son of Phillip T. and Elizabeth Scales Hay. His mother was the sister of Dr. Absalom Walker.¹⁰⁵ His older brother was Dr. Randal Duke Hay (see below). The 1850 census shows him as a thirteen year old boy living with his parents in Rockingham County and “attending school.” In 1860, he married his cousin, Cora Scales.¹⁰⁶

In 1866, they bought the house originally built by Dr. Absalom Scales on Decatur Street and the family lived there for the remainder of their stay in Madison.¹⁰⁷ Their children were: Lelia, Cora Luola, William Scales and Phillip Thorn.¹⁰⁸

Dr. Hay challenged Richard H. Cardwell to a duel in 1868 and although the challenger appeared on the field at the appointed time ready to do battle, the duel did not take place.¹⁰⁹ Subsequently, in July 1872, Hay joined the Madison Presbyterian Church.¹¹⁰ In 1883 the family moved to Reidsville.

Dr. Thomas West Dandridge is buried in the old Madison Presbyterian Church Cemetery where his stone says simply that he was a surgeon in the Army of the Confederate States.¹¹¹ He was born before 1836 in Henry County, Virginia, the son of William Alexander and Sarah Nichols Dandridge. He attended the University of Virginia Medical College in Richmond. When the Civil War began he was in Texas and he entered the army attached to the Texas Rangers. Late in the war he was transferred to the hospital at the Prison Camp for Federal prisoners at Salisbury as a surgeon.¹¹² At the end of the war he settled in Madison.

His residence was a house on the north side of Decatur Street that he bought from Frank Cavanah in 1869.¹¹³ He was located between the tailor, Thomas Roseborough, and William R. D. Lindsey, the postmaster. A black woman, “Aunt Betsanne” Black, served as his housekeeper.¹¹⁴ In 1874, Dandridge’s youngest sister, Sarah Virginia, married Samuel Wall of Stokes County whose large family lived in and around Madison.¹¹⁵

Dr. Dandridge became a member of the KKK and in 1869 was arraigned as

“ring leader” of the Klan in the Madison area by Judge Tourgee. He was prosecuted with a vin (bond) but the case was reported to have been so poorly prosecuted by Solicitor James Bulla, that “upon the doctor being acquitted without even a stain upon his character, he plead ill-health and had the other case continued until after the August election .”¹¹⁶

The doctor’s death provided one of those Victorian dramas fed by local gossip. Dandridge fell in love with eighteen year old Bettie G. Carter, daughter of William B. Carter, lawyer and wealthy farmer. Dandridge was about 43. The love was apparently not reciprocal and in 1878 Bettie married a young Presbyterian minister, Benjamin Watkins Mebane.¹¹⁷ Dandridge began to drink heavily and in 1879 he was found in his bed, a suicide.¹¹⁸ With him was found a letter from Bettie Carter and her picture.¹¹⁹

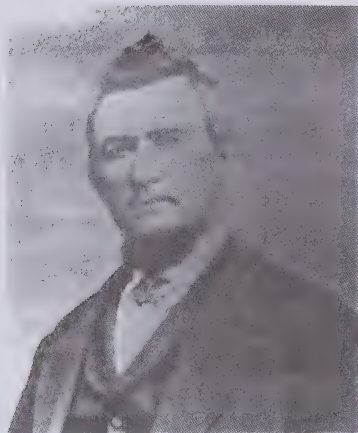
Dr. Louis B. Spencer came to Madison in 1870 from Augusta County, Virginia with his wife, Joanna, and four children: Eliza, Josie, Robert and Sallie.¹²⁰ They rented the Twitchell House on Academy Street and, like several before him, Dr. Spencer used the small house in the corner of the yard as his office.¹²¹ A year after his arrival, Dr. Spencer was elected an Elder in the Presbyterian Church.¹²² The stay in Madison was short and by 1873 the family had moved to the booming town of Winston.¹²³

Dr. Walter R. Smith was a son of the educator, Samuel and Ann Eliza Scales Smith. He was born September 15, 1828 at “Shady Grove” plantation above Mayodan . His medical training was in Philadelphia and he may have practiced first in Virginia. After setting up his practice in Madison in 1872 he was elected to the county Board of Commissioners.¹²⁴

Smith married three times: first to Mary Starling (1833-1855) by whom he had a daughter, Emma; second to Elizabeth Scales, who died in 1863, by whom he had James, Lou and Samuel; and Susan H. Scales with whom he had Mary, Walter, Jr., Jennie, Susan S., and J. W. His last two wives were daughters of James Scales, Jr., (1770-1860) by his third wife, Charlotte G. Dalton Dalton, widow of Robert Dalton.

Walter was sixteen when his father died but his mother continued to operate Shady Grove Academy. He completed his medical school in Philadelphia but not at the university. His initial plans were to locate in Abington, Virginia.¹²⁵

When Dr. Smith brought his family to Madison, he bought the home Dr.



Dr. Randal Duke Hay was a native of Rockingham County. After graduating from medical school he practiced in Virginia, Stokes County and then in Madison. He later moved to Winston where he died in 1885.



Picture 1872-3

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From left-Dr. Walter Smith, 1828-1882 (Came to practice in Madison in 1872)
Man in front right believed to be Dr. Randal Duke Hay who came to practice in Madison in 1872.

Man in rear believed to be Dr. Louis B. Spencer who came to Madison in 1870 and left in 1873.

Robert Callaway owned on the Salem-Petersburg Road and there he had his office.¹²⁶ Eventually the office was attached to the house. Dr. Smith died February 18, 1887 and was buried in the Madison Presbyterian Cemetery. His youngest brother, Joshua R. Smith, was born the year of his father's death, 1844. He was raised in the shadow of Shady Grove and became a doctor practicing in Stoneville.

Dr. Randal Duke Hay was the older brother of Pleasant A. Hay and the nephew and namesake of Randal Duke Scales and of Dr. Absalom Walker Scales.¹²⁷ Hay graduated from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia in 1852. During this school year he met and courted Martha Louisa Russell of Woodstock, Vermont. They were married in 1853, probably in Woodstock then, returned to North Carolina where Hay began his practice in Stokes County. Less than a year after the marriage, the young wife died in childbirth and three months later her baby also died.¹²⁸

In November 1854, plunging into work to assuage his grief, he entered the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery. He received his degree the following year and set up his practice at Penn's Store in Henry County, Virginia. On June 12, 1857, he married Sarah Ruth Penn, the daughter of Captain Thomas Penn of nearby "Poplar Grove." He soon moved his practice fourteen miles across the North Carolina border to Sandy Ridge where he stayed until the move to Madison that "Exile" dates to 1873. In his new location Hay appears to have tested the business prospects of the town. In addition to his practice as doctor and dentist, he constructed a building on the corner of Murphey and Market Streets that he used as a drug store.¹²⁹ Hay appears to have had his sight set higher than his role as a country doctor and in 1876 he moved his practice to Winston. A letter from Hay to his wife in that year, written from the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia, indicates that he was there as an exhibitor of either a product or perhaps some medical technique. He wrote, "the authorities refuse to allow any new exhibitors in the enclosure."¹³⁰ Since he only planned to stay a week, he was probably testing public interest in his medicine or design.

The fact that Duke Hay was both a dentist and medical doctor was not unusual for the time. Dr. Foy had served both professions. Of more significance is the fact that Mullin's Medical Journal notes Dr. Hay as using chloroform as an anesthetic in his dental practice about 1865 which makes him a pioneer in this

technique. Likewise, Hay may be considered a pioneer in the use of several surgical techniques.¹³¹

By the end of 1876 he had his home in Winston on the north side of the courthouse square and his office was in the basement. By his second marriage, Dr. Hay had four children: Sally Ruth, Martha Louise, Rose Blanche, and Randal Duke, Jr. Dr. Hay died in 1885.

Dr. Cecil Carter was the son of Dr. Jesse and Cora Isora Gallaway Carter at "Eagle Falls." His mother was the sister of Dr. Robert Gallaway.¹³² When Carter came to Madison to begin his practice, he boarded at the former Bill Reynolds home just south of the academy grove.¹³³ He married Mollie Bledsoe of Baltimore, Maryland and they rented the same Twitchell House on Academy Street that had been used by other doctors.¹³⁴ Dr. Carter persuaded his parents to move from "Eagle Falls" to the easier comfort of town and for a while they boarded at the McGehee Hotel.¹³⁵ All of the family joined Madison Presbyterian Church but Dr. Carter had a dispute with the church session. After being received on examination on October 20, 1889 and having his name placed on the roll "in accordance with Chapter 15, Section 2," of the Rules of Discipline, he was again noted as being received in November. Then in December 1889 his "name was erased from Roll at his own request."¹³⁶ After his infant daughter died in 1895, he accepted the position of company doctor at the mill in Mayodan and moved his family.¹³⁷ He died there, September 28, 1901, reportedly from overwork.¹³⁸

Dr. Charles Beauregard McAnally, was born in Stokes County, October 2, 1861, the son of Charles Wesley and Ruth Payne McAnally. He came to town a bachelor and rented the Rev. Tidball house just north of town. In 1888, he purchased the home of the late Dr. Benjamin Foy on Market Street and in 1891 married Janie Fitzgerald of Chatham, Virginia. They had five sons, two became doctors and three dentists, and a daughter. Of these, only Charles Wesley, the second son and a dentist, remained to practice in Madison.¹³⁹ Dr. McAnally died July 15, 1906 and was buried in Riverview Cemetery in Madison.

Dr. Walter Z. Wall, was the son of Zachary and Celia Matthews Wall, born at the Wall home four miles west of Madison, August 14, 1855. He married Bettie Hooper and set up his practice in Madison. His office was on the south side of Murphey Street, lot #44 which he purchased in 1885 from the estate of

In 1880, a celebrated murder case involved several area Negroes who were charged with murdering Nash Carter, a Negro blacksmith. The resulting trial convicted Joe Hayes, El Scales, and Nash's widow, Tildy Carter, and they were all subsequently hung outside Wentworth. One of the men was buried in Wentworth. Tildy Carter's brother sold her body to a Leaksville doctor and the body of the other man was bought by a Madison doctor - shades of the old poem quoted earlier. The Madison doctor was probably Dr. Wall. Some years after the death of the doctor at his parent's home, June 20, 1893, children found cadaver parts in his old office which they prankishly played with on the streets of Madison.¹⁴¹

There were other doctors in the area over this period whom "Exile" does not mention: Rawley A. Gallaway and Darian Smith, both of whom attended the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in the 1840s. However, his recollection seems reasonably accurate and his familiarity with their characteristics begs the question, "who was "Exile?" One possibility is John R. Webster who left Madison and founded Webster's Weekly in Reidsville. It seems unlikely though that Webster would have published the letter in the rival Reidsville Times. Professor Nat Smith, the author of the "Reminiscences of Madison" by "Isaac" that was reprinted earlier in the Journal, is a candidate. He was still a Presbyterian in 1888 and "Exile" must have been a Presbyterian, an assumption based on all his references. A better possibility, to me, was also a Presbyterian, Dr. Robert Gallaway, whom "Exile" say left Madison for a second time in 1887 and went to Reidsville. What is written about "R. Gallaway" is more personal and self effacing which indicates to me, it is biographical.

Postscript: Exile might not have been entirely thorough in listing all the doctors during this period. In the 1850 census Darien Smith, Richard H. Scales, Walter Binford and John L. Scales (22 year old son of James M. Scales of Deep Springs) are listed as doctors in Madison. In the 1860 census A. E. Morton, Henry H. Thornton and Jesse Carter are included as doctors in Madison. At least some of these men may have practiced in the countryside around Madison but used the Madison Post Office.

NOTES

- 1 An example would be Major William Mason Wall who had a store on his plantation about three miles from Madison.
- 2 Guion Griffis Johnson, *Ante-Bellum North Carolina* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1937), 760.
- 3 Ibid, 12. Constitution of the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina, in *Transactions of North Carolina Medical Society*, 1849.
- 4 Wyndham B. Blanton, M.D., *Medicine in Virginia in the Nineteenth Century* (Richmond: 1933), 4.
- 5 Ibid, 22.
- 6 Bernard Lossing, *Pictorial Field History of the Revolution*, 35.
- 7 Robert Hunter Dalton, *A Brief History of the Dalton Family and the Hunters* (unpublished, Neosho, Missouri, January 15, 1878).
- 8 John Fewell Reynolds, *Genealogical Sketches of Reynolds, Fewell, Wall and Kindred Families* (Winston Salem: The Commercial Printers, Inc., 1923), 36. In 1839, 144 people departed western Rockingham County for Missouri where they soon formed a church named Sardis Baptist.
- 9 Rockingham County Deed Book D, p. 17. Cox was deeded his first tract in Rockingham, November 8, 1792 on Haw River. The Moravians, however, first mention Dr. Cox as living at Rockingham Springs in August of 1790; see Adelaide L. Fries, *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina* (Raleigh: State Department of Archives and History), Vol. 5, p. 2300.
- 10 Herbert Snipes Turner, D.D., *The Dreamer Archibald DeBow Murphey 1777-1832* (Verona, VA: McClure Printing Company, 1971), 27.
- 11 Fries, *Moravians*, Vol.5, p. 2358. A different side of the story of Dr. John Cox is found in a book about an African prince who was captured as a slave and taken eventually to Mississippi. He says that in the year 1781, Dr. John Coates Cox, "a one-eyed Irishman" who was ship's surgeon on an African slaver, went ashore and was lost when his ship sailed. He wandered to the city of Timbo where he was befriended by the King and nursed back to health. The King's son was the aforementioned Prince and they became friends later to meet in Mississippi. Cox was eventually picked up by the same ship from which he had been lost about a year earlier. Terry Alford, *Prince Among Slaves* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1977), 17-19.
- 12 Fries, *Moravians*, Vol.5, p. 2369.
- 13 Charles D. Rodenbough, "The Origin of Leaksville." *The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy*, Vol. 23, June, 1998, pp.1 - 6.

- 14 Vernon was last noted in Rockingham County in 1807.
- 15 Caroline Cunningham, **Benjamin Jones and His Descendants** (nd.), 6.
- 16 Ibid, 6. This may have been Dr. William White who was listed as a surgeon from Virginia in the Revolutionary Army, **Medical Men of the American Revolution 1775-1783**, The Army Medical Bulletin, Number 25 (Medical Field Service School, 1931), 413.
- 17 Archibald Henderson, **Washington's Southern Tour 1791** (New York: Houghton Mifflin, 1923), 323.
- 18 Walter Marvin Hunter, **The Hunters of Bedford County, Virginia** (Cottonport, LA, 1973), 58-59.
- 19 Robert Hunter Dalton notes used in Hunter, **Hunters of Bedford**, 59.
- 20 Robert Hunter Dalton, **Dalton Family and the Hunters** (unpublished manuscript). This may also have been the same Dr. White listed above under whom Dr. Benjamin Jones got his surgical training during the Revolutionary War. It may also be the same Dr. White who sold land to Fewell on which the Fewell-Reynolds house was built south of Madison in 1828.
- 21 Robert W. Carter, Jr., "Old Sandy Cross Homes and Families," **The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy**, Volume 1, Number 2, October 1976), 84. New information shows that Mrs. Currie's niece married an Ellington.
- 22 Dalton, **Dalton Family and the Hunters** (unpublished).
- 23 Carter, "Old Sandy Cross," 84. New information from Honesta Dobyns shows that Dr. Currie was from Caswell County, North Carolina.
- 24 Cora Anne Trogdon Turner, "Speedwell Presbyterian Church 1759-1959," (unpublished), 2.
- 25 Carter, "Old Sandy Cross," 85.
- 26 Charles Maurice Scales, Jr., **A History of the Scales of Northeast Mississippi** (Macon, Mississippi: privately published, 1966), 56.
- 27 His brother, Randal Duke Scales, was born on December 11, 1789.
- 28 The fact that she was from Kentucky may indicate that Scales attended Transylvania Medical College. The first deed mentioning A.W.Scales as a resident of Rockingham County is dated April 11, 1833, book 2nd I, page 152, in which he purchased lot #47 in Madison from William C. Loving of Fayette County, TN; Nancy Woodburn Watkins, "Four Blocks of Rockingham County Culture - Madison, North Carolina - Academy Street 1818-1928," (unpublished), 14.
- 29 Scales held some title to lots 22, 23, 24 on the south side of Decatur Street as early as November 13, 1834 book 2nd F, page 234) and did live on the property but he did not have a clear title until March 10, 1839 (book 2nd I, page 47).

- 30 In 1834, a free man of color, Ben Henry, lived on this lot already owned by A. M. Scales.
- 31 Watkins, Four Blocks, 91.
- 32 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd L, page 332 and 2nd L, 213.
- 33 Dalton, **"Dalton Family and the Hunters."**
- 34 Internet. The list of Medical students, 1806-1852 of the University of Pennsylvania Medical School lists Robert H. Dalton of NC as a student in 1831.
- 35 Ibid. Dr. Phillip Syng Physick of Philadelphia, the avowed father of American ophthalmology. See Thomas B. Jones, Calvin Jones, M. D. "A Case Study in the Practice of Early American Medicine," (North Carolina Historical Review, Volume XLIX, Number 1, 1972), 64.
- 36 Dalton, **Dalton Family and the Hunters.**
- 37 Major William Mason Wall was a brother of Dr. Richard Zachary Robert Wall and he was the first of the family to leave Madison and settle in Henry County, Missouri.
- 38 Dalton, **Dalton Family and the Hunters.**
- 39 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd E, page 125. Madison was so tenuous a town that this deed to lot on the street names for the Grantee's father, Nicholas Dalton, was misnamed Patrick Street. No original map of Madison has survived and in the record, the first time the street is called "Dalton" was not until 1834. See Martin to Stamps, lot #3.
- 40 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd F, page 322 and 2nd F, 236.
- 41 Dalton, **Dalton Family and the Hunters**; Rockingham County Deeds, book C, page 116, wherein a Thomas Lovell was living on Beaver Island Creek adjacent to Anthony Dearing.
- 42 Dalton, **Dalton Family and the Hunters**; Rockingham County Deeds, book C, page 116, wherein a Thomas Lovell was living on Beaver Island Creek adjacent to Anthony Dearing.
- 43 Internet student list 1806-1852.
- 44 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd I, page 152, April 11, 1833.
- 45 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd L, page 342; book 2nd O, page, to John Ayers and Christopher C. Cundiff.
- 46 Danbury Reporter.
- 47 Richard (3/17/1767-1/10/1853) and Sarah or Sukie Vernon Wall were married in Culpepper County, Virginia in 1790 and their son was born March 29, 1810. Reynolds, **Genealogical Sketches**, 42.
- 48 Mary Jane Covington was the daughter of William P. Covington. She and Wall were married October 22, 1839.

- 49 Reynolds, **Genealogical Sketches**, 36, 42, 45.
- 50 Internet list of students 1806-1852.
- 51 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd L, page 226 - lot #28. There is confusion again on the name of the streets and in this deed Murphey is called Jefferson Street.
- 52 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd O, page 121. Oliver first purchased, in January of 1844, the house and stable lot of Thomas M. Davis on Hunter Street, lots 54 and 67. He bought the Scales plantation December 2, 1844.
- 53 In 1844 he was elected a trustee by the Spring Garden Presbyterian congregation to build a new church in Madison.
- 54 Madison Presbyterian Church Cemetery - "James L. Oliver, M.D. Died in this place Feb. 11, 1847, aged 33 years."
- 55 Rockingham County Marriage Bonds - June 19, 1847.
- 56 George A. Atkins, "Church of the Epiphany, Eden (Leaksville), North Carolina: Funeral and Cemetery Records, 1844-1945," **The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy**; Volume 1, Number 1, April 1976, 28.
- 57 George A. Atkins, "Church of the Epiphany, Eden (Leaksville), North Carolina: Funeral and Cemetery Records, 1844-1945," **The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy**, Volume 1, Number 1, April, 1976, 28.
- 58 Reynolds, **Genealogical Sketches**, 15.
- 59 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 91.
- 60 Nancy Cardwell was the daughter of Joel and Marie Scales Cardwell; see Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 15; Scales, **Scales Family**, 89.
- 61 The lot was bought in 1847 and the home was built that year; see Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd O, page 411 and book 2nd P, page 184. The home was torn down about 1973 to be replaced by an apartment complex east of the J. C. Lassiter School building, now town offices.
- 62 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd W, page 258, June 29, 1863.
- 63 Nancy Cardwell was received into membership in the Spring Garden Presbyterian Church in January 1847 as Nancy L. Coyle and later transferred to membership at Madison, Session Minutes by date. See also, Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 15.
- 64 Carl Schurz, **Henry Clay** (New York: Frederick Ungar Publishing, 1968), Volume I, page 17.
- 65 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 15, 94.
- 66 That home has burned and only an overgrown shadow of the garden is visible

today.

67 Along with at least one of her children, Cornelius, Session Records.

68 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd Y, page 42; 2nd Y, page 58.

69 Estate of Dr. Thomas F. M. Coyle, public records of Rockingham County, NC Archives and History, CR.084-508.8.

70 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd R, page 167, December 4, 1850; book 2nd R, page 394, May 23, 1852.

71 In 1852, Staples bought part of Lot #80 and he was the first to own part of Lot #80 in conjunction with #65. Today, the Staples-Foy house straddles what was lots #65 and 80.

72 Dr. William Hereford of Leatherwood in Henry County, Virginia had been the Doctor in 1824 under whose tutelage Robert Hunter Dalton had begun the study of medicine; see Dalton, **Dalton Family and the Hunters**, 21; Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 93.

73 Charles Rodenbough, ed., "The Diary of Olinthia L. Harte," **The Rockingham County Journal of History and Genealogy**, Vol. XVI, Number 1, June 1991.

74 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd W, page 68.

75 The Rockingham Democrat, Madison, NC, March 6, 1856.

76 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 93.

77 Internet roll of students 1806-1852.

78 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd T, page 505.

79 Rockingham County Marriage Bonds - married April 14, 1854 by Rev. William N. Mebane with Rufus H. Smith as witness.

80 MPC Session Records. Received on examination May 17, 1857.

81 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 74.

82 Weymouth T. Jordan, comp., **North Carolina Troops, 1861-1865, A Roster** (Raleigh: Division of Archives and History, 1975), Volume V, 11th-15th Regiments, 362.

83 Session Records Madison Presbyterian Church, July 3, 1871.

84 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 74; Lots #54 and 78 respectively.

85 MPC Session Records record his death in that year.

86 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 75. Their children were: Annette, married Bedford Graham; Mary; James L., married a Miss Webster; Robert J.; Samuel Smith, became a Presbyterian minister and married Mamie Pepper; Walter Smith; and William Mebane.

87 Mrs. J. J. Van Noppen, "History of Some Old Rockingham County Homes, Eagle Falls," **The Messenger**, July 21, 1956.

88 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd R, page 267.

- 89 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd X, page 28 from James Irving. The Twitchell house was not sold to Nathaniel Pitcher Scales until 1863 although the Scales were already living there. Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd W, page 261 also 2nd W, page 163.
- 90 MPC Session Records, elected March 29, 1856.
- 91 MPC Session Records.
- 92 Nat Smith "Reminiscences of Madison by Isaac," *Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy*, Volume XIV, number 1, June 1989, 13.
- 93 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd W, page 68.
- 94 MPC Session Records, October 20, 1867.
- 95 Ibid, May 4, 1872.
- 96 Ibid, Book II, 151.
- 97 January 21, 1834. The 1850 census says John Foy could not read or write.
- 98 The Rockingham Democrat, the A. P. Smith Hotel operated from about 1850 to the end of the Civil War. It was at the southwest corner of Murphey and Dalton Streets, lot #46, see Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd Q, page 312, book 2nd X, page 86.
- 99 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd T, page 545.
- 100 Rockingham County Marriage Bond October 31, 1859 - married November 1, 1859 by L. H. Shuck; Webster data of Sadie Martin Wall, dated May 9, 1958 (unpublished).
- 101 Rockingham County Deeds, book 3rd E, page 189.
- 102 Watkins, *Four Blocks*, 93. After Dr. Foy's death, March 25, 1876, his widow moved out to their farm west of Madison on Beaver Island Creek. In later years, she married Edmund Loftin Martin II and in 1888 as the result of a special proceeding, Thomas Payne and wife versus E. L. Martin and wife, the Foy home in Madison was bought by Dr. Charles B. McNally, see Rockingham County Deeds, book 80, page 301.
- 103 Rockingham County 1860 Federal census mortality schedule for the northern division (Rockingham County).
- 104 Internet list 1806-1852.
- 105 Scales, *A History of the Scales of Northeast Mississippi*, 56.
- 106 Rockingham County Marriage Bonds, on December 18, 1860 by Rev. D. E. Jordan [minister Madison Presbyterian Church].
- 107 Rockingham County Deeds, book 2nd Y, page 487; 3rd N, page 501.
- 108 Diary of Jacob Henry Doll, manuscript in PCUSA Archives, Montreat, NC. He baptized all on August 6, 1871 in Madison.

109 MPC Session Records, Book I, page 88. Richard H. Cardwell was the son of Richard and Maria Scales Cardwell. He was suspended by the Presbyterian Church for six months for his part in this proposed duel.

110 MPC Session Records show he was received on Examination July 7, 1872 and was dismissed to the Presbyterian Church in Reidsville October 7, 1883.

111 This stone was a military marker placed in 1937 by Carolina Woodburn who, as a child, had been cared for during a serious illness, see **Madison Messenger**, November 4, 1965. In recent years the stone has been replaced by another government stone.

112 Judith Parks America Hill, **A History of Henry County Virginia** (Baltimore: Regional Publishing Company, 1976), 301.

113 Rockingham County Deeds, book 3rd D, page 301.

114 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 109.

115 Hill, **History of Henry County**, 148; Fewell, **Reynolds Genealogy**, 31, 33. Samuel Wall was the son of Robert and Penelope Lindsey Wall and grandson of Zachariah and Elizabeth Smith Wall.

116 **Greensboro Patriot**, July 15, 1869. Conservatives understood that this meant, until they gained a majority.

117 On the 21st of November, 1878, by Rev. C. Miller, at the residence of the bride's father, Wm. B. Carter, Esq., of Stokes County, NC, Rev. B. W. Mebane, of Graham, NC and Miss Bettie G. Carter. See "The Southern Presbyterian," Columbia, SC, December 5, 1878.

118 His house and lot were sold September 9, 1879 and he was listed as deceased, Rockingham County Deeds, book 3rd Y, page 582.

119 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 110. The reference to "Tilden's Election" is to the 1876 election when Tilden, the Democrat, won the popular vote but lost the election to Republican Rutherford B. Hayes in the Electoral College.

120 MPC Session records. Dr. Louis B. Spencer and Joanna T. Spencer were received May 17, 1870 from Mt. Horeb Church in Augusta County, Virginia. Their daughter Eliza was received from the same church July 3, 1871 and the other children joined the church for the first time after the family arrived in Madison.

121 Watkins, **Four Blocks**, 74.

122 MPC Session records, July 3, 1871. Dr. Spencer had been an Elder at Mt. Horeb Church.

123 Ibid, dismissed to church at Winston, February 2, 1873.

- 124 Robert W. Carter, Jr., "A Sketch of Isaac and his Family," *The Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy*, Volume XIV, number 1, June 1989, 43.
- 125 Carter, "A Sketch of Isaac," footnote 36.
- 126 Rockingham County Deeds, book 3rd C, page 196, July 22, 1873.
- 127 Scales, *The Scales Family*, 56-57.
- 128 Martha Louisa Russell Hay may have been an Episcopalian as the record of her death is found in the funeral records of the Church of the Epiphany in Leaksville indicating that the rector of that church went to Stokes County to conduct the funeral. Mrs. Mary(sic) Louisa Hay 6/30/1854 wife of Dr. R. Duke Hay of Stokes Co., dau of Col. Thomas Russell of Woodstock, Vermont; aet 21, been married about 9 mos. (Unnamed) 9/25/1854 inf. dau of Dr. Randall D. Hay of Stokes Co., aet about 3 mos. See Atkins, "Church of the Epiphany," *Journal* Volume 1, Number 1, April 1976, 19.
- 129 The building stood until this century and was replaced between 1904-1910.
- 130 *Western Weekly Sentinal*, Winston, NC 1884.
- 131 *Western Weekly Sentinal*, Winston, NC 1884.
- 132 Van Noppen, "Eagle Falls."
- 133 Watkins, *Four Blocks*, 21.
- 134 Carter Family Genealogy, Davie County Public Library, Mocksville, NC; Waltnkins, *Four Blocks*, 68, 102. Another unpublished Carter Genealogy says he married Millie Bledsoe of Baltimore.
- 135 Van Noppen, "Eagle Falls."
- 136 MPC Session records Book IV, page 21; book III, page 234.
- 137 Madison Presbyterian Cemetery - Margaret Carter, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Carter, born September 13, 1894; died July 1, 1895.
- 138 MPC Session book IV, page 21; Van Noppen, "Eagle Falls."
- 139 Charles Rodenbough, ed., *The Heritage History of Rockingham County North Carolina*, 1983, Elizabeth McAnally Folger, "Charles Beauregard McAnally, M. D." (691)
- 140 Rockingham County Estate Papers, 1884-1885; the Sanborn Map for 1893 shows two offices with a porch.
- 141 Van Noppen, "The Wall-Fewell Home;" Watkins, *Four Blocks*.

North Carolina Court Minutes: A General Overview

In North Carolina from colonial times until 1868 the county was the primary political and geographical unit. The court of pleas and quarter sessions composed of justices of the peace administered the affairs of the county. In the early history of the court the justices were appointed by the governor on recommendation from members of a particular county's legislative delegation. Later members of the court were appointed by the legislature. The justices were usually prominent citizens of the county and their appointment was for life. During the nineteenth century with ever-increasing appointments the court became quite large with as many as forty to fifty justices serving. State law required only a quorum of three justices but usually four to six were in attendance. When important business was to be transacted additional justices were present.

The responsibilities of the court of pleas and quarter session included: hearing civil suits and minor criminal cases; summoning and selecting juries; issuing writs, subpoenas and executions; providing for public buildings, probating estates, hearing petitions; ruling on individual cases of lunacy, caring for orphans and illegitimate children; maintaining public roads and bridges, regulation of building gristmills and granting licenses to taverns.

The court also appointed a clerk of court, a registrar of deeds, a county attorney, county trustee (treasurer), surveyor, wardens of the poor, patrollers (for overseeing the behavior of slaves and free blacks), sheriff, constables (minor peace officers), ranger (for dealing with roving livestock), entry takers (who process state land grant applications), and superintendents of the common schools (after 1839). The officers had to swear an oath to perform their duties and post a bond guaranteeing their actions according to law.

The county court set the local rate and appointed individuals to list, assess and collect taxes. The court also directed the use of the tax revenue that was collected. The county was divided into militia captains' districts and these subdivisions also served for the collection of taxes. By the 1840s the districts were being named for either local landmarks or American patriots.

The minutes of the court of pleas and quarter sessions were recorded in manuscript volumes. Often the handwriting is difficult to read but because the records contain so much valuable information about people and places in the county they are an excellent resource for researchers of genealogy and local history. The surviving court minutes were sent to the North Carolina State Archives many years ago. They have been microfilmed and are part of the core collection of local county records. Many larger libraries have these records for their own respective counties.

The Rockingham County Historical Society wishes to thank Betty H. Born for her excellent work in preparing for publication the 1786 Rockingham County Court Minutes printed in this issue of the journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy. Additional abstracts of the county court minutes will appear in future issues. The Society also wishes to thank Rita Gantt and Clinton Fagge for typing Mrs. Born's abstracts.

Many inconsistencies appear in the original court minutes and

researchers are encouraged to search for all possible spellings of their family names.

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Abstracts Of Minutes Of The Rockingham County Court Of Pleas And Quarter Sessions 1786

By
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FEBRUARY TERM 1786

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State of North Carolina, Rockingham County. Agreeable to an act of the General Assembly passed at Newbern the 28th Day of December AD, 1786 (1785) for the dividing of the county of Guilford into two Distinct Counties, appointing Commissioners to divide the same beginning of Haw River Bridge running from the East and West which when run shall be in two.

Signed by his Excellence Rich. CASWELL Governor of the state aforesaid decreeded to James HUNTER, Samuel HENDERSON, George PEAY, Hugh CHALLIS, Thomas HENDERSON, Adam TATE, James GALLAWAY, John LEAK, Joshua SMITH, Peter ONEAL, Abraham PHILLIPS, William BETHEL, John MAY, and John HUNTER, Jun son of John, appointing them Justices of the Peace of said county of Rockingham.

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Also appointing any three of the justices to meet at the 4th Monday in February next ensuing after being only qualified by taking the oath prescribed by law. In obedience there to came James HUNTER, George PEAY, and Hugh CHALLIS at the house of Mr. Adam TATES the 4th Monday in February.

Thomas HENDERSON chosen as clerk, took the oath and entered bond with Alexander MARTIN and Nathaniel WILLIAMS Esquires, sum of 5 thousand pounds. John MAY chosen as sheriff for one year bonded for 5 thousand pounds with James HUNTER and Joshua SMITH.

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Esquire Justices present at court at the house of Adam TATES the 4th Monday in February 1786. James HUNTER, George PEAY, Hugh CHALLIS, Adam TATE,

James GALLAWAY, John LEAK, Joshua SMITH, Peter ONEAL, Abraham PHILIPS, William BETHEL, John HUNTER, Jun, son of John.

FEBRUARY TERM 1786

Deed from Samuel DALTON, William DALTON and William MARTIN to David CHIVES, 22 February 1786 for about 150 A in County of Caroline, Virginia.

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Charlotte DALTON widow of Saml. DALTON agreed to the sale.

Adam TATE elected coroner, entered security for two thousand pounds with Alexander MARTIN, James GALLAWAY and Thomas HENDERSON.

Abraham PHILLIPS, elected county surveyor, gave security of two thousand pounds to Peter ONEAL and James HUNTER.

John HUNTER appointed (Register) of the County bonded with James HUNTER and George PEAY for four thousand pounds.

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George PEAY appointed Ranger bonded with John LEAK and John HUNTER, Jun sum of two thousand pounds.

William CLARK Sen appointed Entry Taker bonded next court for two thousand pounds.

Nath. WILLIAMS appointed County Attorney.
Court adjourned.

Present: James HUNTER, Abraham PHILLIPS, Jas. GALLAWAY, Esquires.
Tuesday Court:

John JOYCE overseer from the ford at David HANBYS to North side of Long Branch to Guilford Road to Scales Mill.

Richard P. CARDWELL overseer of the road from JOYCES Ford over Mayo River to Surry line between Beaver Island and Buffalos.

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CARDWELL and JOYCE to use hands of Benjamin COOK. Benjamin COOK overseer of the road from Joyces Ford on south side of Mayo River to the north of Benjamin COOKS to Virginia and Surry line.

Benjamin COOK overseer of the road from Joyces Ford on Mayo River, cross Beaver Island to Surry County line.

John SCALES overseer of the road from Surry line to Dan River.

Mathew PECS overseer of the road from Mayo River Ford to Surry line.

Nicholas LARAMORE overseer of the road from Dan River to William FLEMINGS and William FLEMING serve on the road from his house to Guilford line.

Mathew PECS, Rick. P. CARDWELL and James RHODES appointed

FEBRUARY TERM 1786

Constables in the districts of James HUNTERS and Joshua SMITHS Esqs.

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John DAVIS overseer of the road from Mayo Ford to the forks above Sam ROGERS.

William McCLELLON overseer of the road from Mayo River to Mr. GALLOWAYS store.

Phillip Jacob IRION overseer of the road from Lone Island Ford on Dan River to Grassy Springs.

Henry SCALES overseer of the road from Grassy Springs to Smith River.

Peter TERRY overseer of the road from Smith River to Dry Creek.

Aquiller WILSON overseer of the road from Dry Creek to Virginia line.

Following persons to view and lay a road from Eagle Falls on Dan River to Virginia line near Thomas JEMISONS. Valentine ALLEN, Rich. SHARP, Turbyfield Barnes, ALLEN Dod, John FIELDS, James JOYCE, James HOLDERNESS, William H. ALLEN, Jno. CARDWELL, Michael THOMAS, Joseph GIBSON, Bartholemew GROGAN, Lewis THOMAS, John MENZIES, James RAY, John PILLOW, or any twelve of them and report to next court.

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James WILLIAMS overseer of the road from Caswell line to High Rock Ford on Haw River.

James WALKER overseer of the road from forks near Duns bridge to High Rock Ford on Haw River.

Joel JOHNSTON overseer of the road from county line to High Rock Ford on Haw River.

Isham LANIER constable in Abraham PHILIPS district.

James APPELTON constable in Capt. ONEALS district.

Samuel BETHEL constable in Capt. BETHELs district.

Thomas POUNDS constable in Mr. TATES district.

Manlove TARRANT constable in Mr. CHALLISES district.

John LEMMON constable in Spring Garden district.

Jeremiah NORRIS constable in Samuel HENDERSON Esq. District and William WILLIAMS also qualified.

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Ordered each constable appear at county courts with wands painted black 6 inches at the open end and 6 feet long and a half inches diameter.

James McCOLLOM cited to appear as executor in the estate of Daniel McCOLLOM, Dec'd.

Sarah PARKER widow appointed as administrator of the estate of Edward PARKER, Dec'd, bond with Jermiah Norris.

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Thomas BRUCE, Dec'd administrator is Major Thomas OWEN, bond with Leven MITCHELL.

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Will of James GENTRY: Joshua SMITH witness, Watson GENTRY one of executors, inventory ordered to be registered.

John ASHER age 14 orphan of John ASHER, Decd bound to Gideon JOHNSTON, Sen, until he is 21 and learn the art of shoemaking.

Hugh PATRICK overseer of the road in room of Frances McBRIDE.

Will of James ROBERTS, Dec'd proved by witnesses George PEAY, James LEAK, John LEAK and Henry SCALES. Elizabeth ROBERTS widow, and Silas Lightfoot ROBERTS executors.

James HUNTER, James GALLOWAY, and George PEAY, Esquires appointed to settle with Joshua SMITH Esq. Executor of Philemon DEATHERAGE, Dec'd.

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John LEMMON, Isham RICE and William BETHEL Esq. to attend Superior Court of Law and Equity for the District of Salisbury, March 15, as jurors.

Ordered the sheriff advertise a horse in the published Gazette of this state. Horse in possession of William BARNS, brought in by Charles GORDEN and supposed to be stolen.

Jurors for next court. Arch. YARBOROUGH, Samuel WATT, Jun, Joseph THRASHER, Joseph CLARK, Andrew WILSON, John DABNEY, Rich. MARR, Robert COLMAN, James SCALES, James VERNON, Sen, John FIELDS, James JOYCE, David HANBY, David DALTON, Henry SCALES, William FLEMING, Robert MEANS, Gideon JOHNSTON Sen, Joel WALKER, James SANDERS, Nath. HARRIS, Darby CALLAHAM, Rich. ROBERTS, Joseph HOPPER, John HALLUMS, Robert NELSON, James HAYS, Henry WORK, Mathew MILLS, Benjamin PARROT, James WRIGHT, Thomas MASSEY, Hugh LYNCH, Daniel ADKINS. (34)

James GALLAWAY Esq. To purchase books for the use of the clerks and county registers offices.

Court adjourned until Court in course to meet at the house of Mr. Adam TATE.

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Pleas and Quarter Session Court of Rockingham County, North Carolina, 4th Monday in May.

MAY TERM 1786

Present Esquires - James HUNTER, Peter ONEAL, William BETHELL.

Deed from William BROWN and wife to Richard MARR, dated 7 Jan. 1786, 500 A proved by Benjamin PRATT.

Motion by Alexander MARTIN, Esq. that Adam TATE Esq. have a Tavern at his dwelling house. Securities, Alexander MARTIN Esq. and Thomas HENDERSON.

Grand Jury: Darby CALLAHAM, foreman. Joseph CLARK, Gideon JOHNSTON, Joseph HOPPER, John FIELDS, Joel WALKER, John HALLOMS, James JOYCE, Ja. SANDERS, Benjamin PARROT, Dav. HANBY, Nath. HARRIS, Dav. DALTON, Rich. ROBERTS, John LEMMON constable.

Inventory of Estate of Edward PARKER, Dec'd returned and ordered to be sold.

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Thomas BRYANT an old infirm person, exempt from paying a poll tax.

Samuel WATT overseer of the road from Vaughns Creek to Hodges Branch. James McCALEB overseer of the road to Big Troublesome Bridge, George ROLAND on the road to Guilford line.

Thomas SPARKS overseer of the road from Caswell Co. line to Vaughns Creek.

Mary VERNON widow derelict of Thomas VERNON Dec'd resigns as administrator. Replaced by Rich. SHARP and James GALLAWAY Esq. who qualified and entered bond with John MENZIES.

Court adjourned.

Present Esquires: Peter ONEAL, Abraham PHILIPS, William BETHEL.

Daniel McCOLLOM, Dec'd executor appears to be James McCOLLOM, not David McCOLLOM.

Administrator of Estate of Laurance Buck HOLDER Dec'd granted to Maynard COLLEY who bonded with John MORTON in sum of one hundred pounds.

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Inhabitants of Dan River praying for a road from Speedwell Iron Works to Valentine ALLENS Ford report to next court. Joel WALKER, William ASTON, Luke BARNET, Abraham PHILIPS Esq. Gideon JOHNSTON Sen, William JOHNSTON, Robert SMALL, Joseph CUNNINGHAM, Eli SCURRY, George OLIVER, Thomas HENDERSON, James SANDERS, Thos. LOWE, Samuel HENDERSON, Robert NELSON, William TODD, Minder MARSH.

Inventory of the Estate of James ROBERTS, Dec'd returned.

MAY TERM 1786

Peter TERRY overseer of the road from Smiths River to Dry Creek and from Sorrow Town and use labor from Rich. CRUNK who lives on FARLEYS. Laborers of Mrs. SCALES and Nath. SCALES shall keep it in good repair.

Ordered the Sheriff pay Isham RICE for his attendance at Salisbury as a Grand Juror.

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Rich. SHARP proved a Deed from George CARTER to James GALLAWAY for 200 A dated 13 May 1786.

John ODENEAL proved a Deed from Jeremiah THRASHER to William COCKRILL for 150 A dated 6 May 1786.

John MAY acknowledged a Deed to Sneed STRONG for 50 A dated 20 May 1786.

Philip ROSE proved a Deed from James ROBERTS to Namon ROBERTS for 400 A dated 3 February 1786.

Thomas CHAMBERS proved a Deed from Alex. FULKERSON to William BARKSDALE for 141 A dated 17 April 1786.

William BETHEL proved a Deed from Abraham BENTON and wife to Abner RAILY for 50 A dated 10 March 1786.

John ODENEAL proved a Deed from Saml. BETHELL attorney for Manlove TARRANT for 100 A dated 10 May 1786.

Jacob CATON proved a Deed to John HAMPTON for 240 A dated 23 May 1786.

Thomas CHAMBERS proved a Deed from Abraham BENTON to William BARKSDALE for 178½ A dated 24 March 1786.

Thomas CHAMBERS proved a Deed from Job LOFTES to William BARKSDALE for 227 A dated 24 March 1786.

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Nath. LANIER proved a Deed from Jesse BRAUGHTON to Peter PERKINS for 500 A dated 1 May 1786.

George PEAY proved a Deed from Jehu MORTON to Peter PERKINS for 300 A dated 20 March 1786.

Benjamin PARROT proved a Deed William BROWER to Richd. MARR for 500 A dated 7 Jan. 1786.

Peter ONEAL proved a Deed from John MATLOCK and wife to Jeremiah THRASHER for 200 A dated 20 May 1786.

Darby CALLAHAN proved a Deed from James WATKINS to Elizabeth ROBERTS for 170 A dated 20 May 1786.

Joshua SMITH proved a Deed from Jesse SIERS and Benjamin GATES for 120 A dated 29 October 1784.

Archibald YARBOROUGH acknowledged a Deed to Wiatt STUBBLEFIELD for 21 A dated 27 April 1786.

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Samuel BETHEL proved a Deed from James HORSEFORD to William BETHEL for 50 A dated 20 May 1786.

Thomas OWEN administrator of Thomas BRUCE, Dec'd reported an Estate of only 200 A of land.

Court Adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday.

Present Esquires: Joshua SMITH, Abraham PHILIPS, Peter ONEAL.

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Ordered Archibald YARBOROUGH and James SCALES to be exempt from a fine for not appearing as Jurors.

Bill of sale from James ROBERTS to Darby CALLAHAN for a Negro Wench called Madam, was proved in open court by Philip ROSE.

Archibald YARBOROUGH resigned from the appointment of guardian of the Estate of Sarah HILL, Rich HILL, and Isaac HILL, orphans of Isaac HILL, dec'd, Benjamin PARROT appointed guardian of the orphans and entered bond with Rich. MARR and John NICHOLS for one thousand pounds for each orphan.

Ordered the Sheriff summon William CRUMP, James SCALES, John DAVIS, Benjamin COOK, John JOYCE, Elijah JOYCE, Isham RICE, Samuel ROGERS, John SCALES, Abraham MARTIN, Joseph MARTIN, and Rich. P. CARDWELL to inquire into the lunacy of Samuel DALTON.

John HUNTER, Jun son of John, qualified for Deputy Sheriff.

Nath. LINDER is appointed Constable in Capt. PHILIPS district.

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David DALTON overseer of the road from HANBYS Ford on Mayo River to the Virginia line, and keep in good repair formerly opened thro several fields.

Thomas GROGAN, an old infirm person, is exempt from paying poll tax.

Philip GATES overseer of the road from Dan River road to Cape Fare road near William FLEMINGS.

Court adjourned until tomorrow.

Thursday Court met according to adjournment

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Present Esquires-James HUNTER, James GALLAWAY, George PEAY, Joshua SMITH, Peter ONEAL.

Bill of sale from Robert CROCKET to Constant PERKINS for two negroes was proved by Walter GUILD[?].

Writ issued to John LEAK, Esq. appealing a previous decision regarding the Estate of Mary HUBBARD. This motion being a writ of certiorari. Bate Lacy is asking the court to make John LEMMON, Constable, halt any execution or action against the estate of Mary HUBBARD until the matter can be heard in court. (This suspension of action is known as a writ of supercedias)

State vs. Nath. SCALES -The defendant submitted.

Nath. MATTHEWS vs. Adam TATE; Motion for his freedom by Nath WILLIAMS Esq. Att. He is ordered to serve until he is 31 years of age on 26 March 1794.

Walter HILL proved a Deed from William PLUMLEY to Andrew MARTIN for 223 A dated 1 May 1786.

Robert MEANE summoned as a Juror, paid a fine which is remitted.

Patrollers appointed: David DALTON, John JOYCE Coon, William WALKER, Mathew PEGGS, Leonard BARKER, William H. ALLEN, James WILLIAMS, Isaac CLARK, Thomas COVINGTON, Allen WALKER, George TANKERSLY, Philip BRACKETT, John PALLUM, David WILLIAMS, James WILSON, Thomas RAFFERTY, James ADKINS, Saml. McREYONLDS, Rich. CRUNK, and John OWEN.

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Assignees to take taxable property:

Adam TATE, in the area from Rock House to Jacobs Creek.

James GALLAWAY Esq. From Mayo River to Valentine ALLENS crossing, by GALLAWAYS store by John HILLS to the Virginia line.

George PEAY from Valentine ALLENS road to Smith River to Virginia line.

John LEAK Esq. North side of Dan River from Smith River to Virginia line.

Joshua SMITH Esq. The North and West side of Dan and Mayo Rivers.

James HUNTER Esq. Above Jacobs Creek to the Surry line.

Abraham PHILLIPS Esq. East side of Dan River Road to Hendersons Road to the road leading from Dix Ferry, to Dunns Bridge to Guilford County line.

Hugh CHALLIS Esq. In his own district.

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Peter ONEAL Esq. From Dicks Ferry Road crossing Dunns Bridge to Guilford

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County line to the county corner to join William BETHELL Esq.

William BETHELL Esq. to BROWDERS district with PHILIPS to join ONEAL and CHALLIS.

Jurors for next Court - John DAVIS, Rich. SHARP, Benjamin COOK, William Crump, William KELLUM, R.obt. MEANS, William ASTON, Luke BARNETT, Mark HARDIN Sen, James RAGAN, William FLEMING, Batt C. LACY, Daniel WALL, Jun, Aron WILLIAMS, Henry SCALES, Allen WILLIAMS, Laurance BANKSTON, Nath. SCALES, Samuel WATT Jun, Archibald YARBOROUGH, Thomas MASSEY, John McCARRELL, William LEMMON, Hugh LYNCH, John JOHNSTON, H. Rock fd, Mathew MILLS, James WRIGHT, Rick. STUBBILFIELD, James HAYS, William HAMSON.

Thomas CARTER overseer on the road from the forks below Joel WALKER to the ford of Little Rock House Creek by Adam TATES, David LOVEL on to the ford on Dan River at Sorrow Town.

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Andrew Wilson overseer on the road from Caswell County line to Giles Creek, then Thomas DILWORTH from there to the Crossroads at John THOMAS, Robert MARTIN on to the road at Rock House Creek with Joel WALKER on to his house.

Ordered John COFFEY executor of John COFFEY, dec'd is ordered to the next Court to nominate guardian of orphan children of John COFFEY.

Following persons ordered to be a Jury to view and repair the roads from Troublesome Creek to Hendersons road. James WALKER, William BOYD, John DILLWORTH, Thomas DILLWORTH, James APPLETON, James WILLIAM, William WILSON, Andrew WILSON, Alexander WALKER, William ROBERSON, and Joseph CLARK.

Ordered that Col. Peter Perkins appear next Court and bring a negro Henry CHAVERS who is supposed to be free and let the Court Decide.

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Michal THOMAS overseer of the road from Mr. Gallaway Store to Grassy Springs.

Joshua SMITH and Abraham PHILIPS appointed to supervise ensuing election.

State vs. Wm. ODELL - Recog. - in £20 for his appearance next court. Uriah and Lewis ODLE bail in £25 each.

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Court adjourned until Court in Course to meet at this place.
Signed -James HUNTER, James GALLAWAY, Abraham PHILIPS

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County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions meeting the fourth Monday in August A.D. 1786, the 28th day.

Present Esquires - James HUNTER, John LEAK, George PEAY

James GALLAWAY returned his list of taxable property for 1786.

William LOCKHART orphan of Nesbit LOCKHART Dec'd, bound to William BUCHANON until age 20 to learn art of a Blacksmith, also teach him to read, write, and cypher and to give him a good suit of clothes when he becomes of age.

Benjamin COOK proved a Deed from Watson GENTRY to Henry HARDEN for 50 A. William Stuart MOBLEY proved a Deed from Cha. HARRIS to John SCOGGEN for 550 A.

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Ordered John ADKINSON and Ralph NORRIS, two old and infirm persons be exempt from payment of Poll Tax.

Court adjourned until tomorrow.

Tuesday Court present Esquires - James HUNTER, Adam TATE, John LEAK.

James MARTIN overseer of the road from Guilford line to the Crossroads North of John THOMMANCE[?].

Inventory of the Estate of Thomas VERNON Dec'd. returned to be recorded.

Adam HOLKER acknowledged to John HAINS for 300 A. (written twice)

Account of sales of Estate of James GENTRY Dec'd. returned by sheriff.

Grand Jury: William ASTON, foreman, Arron WILLIAMS, John DAVIS, Benjamin COOK, William CRUMP, William KELLUM, Robert MEANS, Luke BARNET, Daniel WALL, Allen WILLIAMS, William HARRISON, John McCARROL, William LEMMON, James WARDLOW.

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Henry SCALES proved a Deed from James HARRISON to John GIBSON for 100 A. Abraham PHILIPS Esq. proved a Deed from John SMITH to William RUSSEL for 24 A. John SMITH to William RUSSEL for 138 A.

Peter Perkins acknowledged a Deed to Rees Price for 165 A.

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Ordered that John WEBB, age 17, a Bast. Born child of Molly ROACH, now Molly BURNES, bound to James ROACH until he is 21 and learn the art of a Shoemaker.

Ordered that a Writ of Certiorari issued to William BETHEL Esq. An error in judgement in Court action of William WASHINGTON, Plaintiff and William COLLINS, Defendant. Further proceedings should be stopped.

Peter ONEAL returned his list of taxable property for 1786.

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James APPILTON collector ONEALS district for year of 1786.

Ordered that Thomas SCALES, William CRUMP, James SCALES, Samuel HENDERSON, Bate C. LACY, John DAVIS, John JOYCE, John GLENN, John JONES, Benjamin COOK, John DUNCAN, and James SHARP be on a Jury to view the best way for a road from Long Branch near Samuel HENDERSONS by Scales Mill into the road that leads to Lacys Ford on Dan River and report to next Court.

John LEMMON vs. Philip ROSE: No. 1. The following Jury - James RICHEY, Joshua MABRY, Thomas SPIRES, Isaac PERYMAN, Darby CALLAHAN, John WALL, Elmore WALKER, Gideon JOHNSTON, William ODELL, John GANN, John FIELDS, Sneed STRONG. The Jury finds for the plaintiff and assigns his damage to £11.4 and cost of Suit.

Ordered that Levin RUSSEL be exempt from payment of poll tax for the future as an old infirm person.

Capt. Edward BREWER acknowledged a Deed to Joseph SCALES for 324 A. At the same time his wife Sarah BREWER was privately examined by George PEAY Esq. who reported that Sarah relinquished her right of dower to the land.

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A Petition of the inhabitants praying for a road to be laid from the Iron Works to the Surry line near Lemuel SMITHS Mill. The following persons ordered to view best way for the road and report to next Court. Thomas MASSEY, Moses SHORT, William SUTHERLAND, Zaza BRASHER, Patrick MULLENS, Lewis PEEPLES, Andrew HOPKINS, William WILLIAMS, Saml. Findley, Thomas LOMAX, and Saml. SHORT.

Court adjourned until tomorrow.

Wednesday Court met according to adjournment.

Present Esquires: George PEAY, Joshua Smith, John LEAK.

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Lemuel SMITH proved a Deed from William PLUMLEY to Peter PERKINS for 520 A.

Lemuel SMITH proved a Deed from Archibald LYTTLE to Peter PERKINS for 640 A.

The State vs. Philip ROSS: No. II, The following Jury Joshua MABRY, John WALL, James SCALES, John DEARING, Henry SCALES, James McCOLLOM, John GIBSON, Allen DOD, Eli SCURRY, Joseph GIBSON, Thompson HARRIS, and Turbyfield BARNES find the defendant guilty as charged.

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Jeremiah NORRIS proved a Deed from James JONES to William BETHEL for 50 A.

The State vs. Soloman MITCHEL, Eli SCURRY and Aleby WILLIAMS: Bastardy The sum of £100 to be void if the said Soloman MITCHELL shall release the County of Rockingham from the maintenance of a Bastard Child born of Nancy JONES. Solomon MITCHELL the reputed father, is fined twenty shilling.

Ordered on Motion of Isham HANCOCK that a Writ of Certiorari, where Sherwood TONEY is Plaintiff and Manlove TARRANT Defendant. Also the proceedings of Hugh CHALLIS against Manlove TARRANT.

Joshua SMITH returns his list of Taxables for the year 1786.

Philip WILSON vs. George JOYCE: No. 9 Case.

The following Jury find for the Plaintiff and assesses his damage to £20.15.9 and cost of suit.

Rich. SHARP, John FIELDS, Hugh HARKINS, Thos. NORRIS, Joel WALKER, James SANDERS, Joseph THRASHER, John JONES, Alex. BROWN, John GRANGER, Robert GAINS, Turbyfield BARNES.

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Inventory of the Estate of Laurence BUCKOLDER, Dec'd was returned by admistrator.

Court adjourned until tomorrow.

Thursday Court met according to adjournment.

Present Esquires: James HUNTER, John LEAK, George PEAY.

James HUNTER Esq. Returned his list of taxables for year 1786.

John LEAK Esq. Returned his list of taxables for year 1786.

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Samuel HENDERSON Esq. acknowledged a Deed to Henry HARDEN for 200 A. Turbyfield BARNES acknowledged a Deed to Elijah JOYCE for 53 A. Champ GIBSON acknowledged a Deed to Robert MEANS for 50 A.

Jurors to Salisbury Superior Court, September term 1786, Isham RICE, John LEMMON and John DAVIS.

Ordered the following Jury to view a road the nearest and best way from Joyces Ford on the Mayo River to Rockingham Court House and make a report at next court.

Court. James RAY, Turbyfield BARNES, Rich. SHARP, James VERNON, Benjamin GATES, Elisha JOYCE, William FIELDS, Lewis IRON, Robert AXTON, William H. ALLEN, John FIELDS, and William PRATT.

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Jarrett PATTERSON proved a Deed from Elijah JOYCE to Elisha JOYCE for 200 A. Joshua SMITH proved a Deed from Ruben COOK to Edward DANIEL for 600 A. James SANDERS acknowledged a Deed to Alex. McCLAREN for 25 A. Edward BREWER acknowledged a Deed to Joseph SCALES for 324 A. John GLENN acknowledged a Deed to William GLENN for 150 A. Thomas CONNER acknowledged a Deed of Gift to John CONNER for sundries articles.

The following Jury to view a road from Eagle Falls on Dan River to the VA line near Thomas JEMISONS and report to next court. James RAY, Sneed STRONG, Lewis THOMAS, Thomas CARTER, William FANNING, Allen DODD, David DOLTON, William CALLOM, Michael THOMAS, William LEWIS, James HARRIS, Ansel FIELDS, Joshua MABERY, Drewry SMITH, or any 12 of them. James ROACH Constable to summon the above jury.

Agreeable to an order of last court appointing a Jury to lay a road from Valentine ALLENS ford to the Iron Works, have reported they agreed and marked the road.

William JOHNSTON overseer of the road from the old road to William JONESES as laid off by the Jury and Robt. SMALL from there to John YOUNG and open and clear the same.

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William JOHNSTON Exec. Vs. Terry BRADLEY Exec. Judgment by John BRADLEY for 38.18.10 with interest. Execution to stay until 25 Dec next.

William JOHNSTON Exec. Vs. Terry BRADLEY Exec. Judgment by John BRADLEY for 76.19.9 with interest. Execution to stay until 25 Dec next. The State vs. Charles FITZGERALD: Ind. Misdemeanor Jury: Eli SCURRY, Thomas JOYCE, John FIELDS, Elmore WALKER, James RICHIE, John WALL,

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James McCOLLOM, John ODENEAL, James HARRISON, John YOUNG, James WRIGHT, Thomas YOUNG. Defendant found Guilty and must pay costs.

Samuel HENDERSON Esq. appointed by the Governor to be a Rock. Co. Justice.

William KELLUM vs. Francis BUNDRANT: No. 8 Slander. Jury of Eli SCURRY, Tho. JOYCE, John FIELDS, Elmore WALKER, James RICHIE, James McCOLLOM, James HARRIS, John YOUNG, Thomas YOUNG, Turby[field] BARNES, William JOHNSTON, Batte C. LACY, 12.

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Jury find for the Plaintiff 100.0 and cost of suit.

Adam TATE Esq. returns his list of taxable property for year 1786.

Following persons to view and lay a road from Eagle Falls by Jas. BROWNS to Guilford line. Hezekiah RHODES Sen., James SANDERS, Minor MARSH, Thos. MASSY, John CUMMINGS, Alex. BROWN, Moses SHORT, James MARTIN, James LANIER, Henry BREWER, and John CUNNINGHAM.

Jurors to be summoned for next Court: William FLEMING, Batts C. LACY, Watson GENTRY, Thos. JOYCE, James SCALES, Allen DODD, William ODELL, Joseph ODELL, Zackariah KING, John STRONG, James VERNON Sen, Robert COLEMAN, Joseph C. THRASHER, Flower SWIFT, John ODELL, Benjamin GATES, Henry SCALES, William WALKER, Joseph CLARK, Samuel WATT Jun, Elisha JOYCE, Zakariah SMITH, Minor MARSH, George ROWLAND, James HOLDERNESS, Hugh PATRICK, Henry WORK, James CUNNINGHAM, Thomas MASSEY, John CUMMINGS, Moses SHORT, James MARTIN, Hezekiah RHODES, and James WALKER.

James KELLY a poor and infirm person be exempt from the payment of a Poll Tax in the future.

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Held the 4th Monday in November AD 1786 the 27 day of the month.

Present: George PEAY, Abraham PHILIPS, John LEAK, Esqs.

Court adjourned until tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

Tues Court met according to adjournment.

Present: James Hunter, George PEAY, Abraham PHILIPS, Esqs.

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Power of Attorney from Isaac JONES to Nath. HARRIS proven in Court by Arch. MURPHY.

Ordered by the Court that Rich. MARR be find 2 of for contempt to the court and be in custody of the sheriff until paid.

Ordered Matthew PEGGS be allowed two pounds, eight shillings, fifth John DEARING, William WALKER, and Jesse WALKER be allowed 40 shillings as a guard in carrying Jett ROACH to Salisbury Superior Court.

Ordered James RHODES allowed forty shillings for warning in the inhabitance of James GALLOWAY Esq. District to give their list of taxable property.

George VANLANDINGHAM proved a power of attorney. William JAMES to Sherwood BROCK.

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Ordered that Rich. MARR be put in the stocks by the sheriff for one hour.

Allen DODD overseer of the road from the Wagon Ford on Mayo River at Mr. PATTERSONS to the Rocky Mount and John HILL be appointed from thence to the old road below Mr. LEMONS.

Allen WILLIAMS overseer of the room of Lawrence BANKSTON.

William RUSSELL administered the Estate of George MCKINSY and that he give bond and security.

John LEMMON be allowed one pound four shillings for attending Grand Jury as Constable.

John LEMMON be allowed £4 for warning in the inhabitation of George PEAY and John LEAK Esquires Districts to give in their taxable property.

On motion of Alexander MARTIN Esq. ordered that the administration estate of Frances FARLEY, Decd. of Antiqua be granted to the Reverend John DUNBAR and that he give bond of twenty thousand pounds with Willie JONES of Halifax County.

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On motion of Alexander MARTIN Esq. the administration of the Estate of James Park FARLEY, Decd. be granted to the Reverend John DUNBAR who offered his security Wiley JONES of Halifax who entered bond of 10,000 pounds.

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The Reverend John DUNBAR appointed guardian of Elizabeth Carter FARLEY, Maria FARLEY, Mary FARLEY, and Rebecca FARLEY infant orphans of James Park FARLEY ESQ, Decd. and gave security with Wiley JONES Esq, in the sum of ten thousand pounds for each of the orphans.

Administration of the Estate of George OLIVER is granted to Martha OLIVER widow of the dec'd and entered bond of four hundred pounds.

Mathew PEGGS is allowed two pounds for warning the district Saml HENDERSON Esq. to give in a list of taxable property for the year 1786.

Administration of Estate of George MCKINSEY Dec'd is granted to William RUSSELL who entered into bond with Joseph Cloud THRASHER for one hundred pounds.

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Court adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow.

Wednesday court met according to adjournment.

Present: John LEAK, Peter ONEAL, Joshua SMITH, Esqs.

Abraham PHILIPS proved a Deed from Thomas HOGAN to Moses YELL for 113 A.

George VANLANDINGHAM proved a Deed from William JAMES to Sherwood BROCK.

Archebald MURPHY proved a letter from Isaac JONES to Nath. HARRIS.

James APPILTON proved a Deed from William WALTER and wife to Peter ONEAL for 60 A.

William PLUMLY acknowledged a Deed to the Speedwill Congregation for 1 A.

John MENZIES proved a Deed or Mortgage from Turbyfield BARNES to Robt. Donald and Company for 1010 acres of land.

Hugh Kirk PATRICK proved a Deed from John CUMMINGS to Sarah Kirk PATRICK for 400 A.

Joshua SMITH proved a Deed from Alse SIERS to Sarah POWELL for 80 A.

Ordered Thomas POUNDS be allowed two pounds for warning the inhabitance of TATES District to give the list of their taxable property for 1786.

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Ordered that a Sorrell horse given in May term to the Sheriff, be delivered to James SCALES who shall keep the horse in this county for one year unless the owner is found.

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Thursday court met according to adjournment until tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

Present: James HUNTER, George PEAY, Joshua SMITH, Peter ONEAL, Esqs.

Isham RICE is allowed seven pounds one shilling for attending a Superior Court at Salisbury in September 1786.

John DAVIS is allowed seven pounds one shilling for attending a Superior Court at Salisbury in September 1786.

Affidavit filed on Motion of Alex. MARTIN Esq. ordered that a Writ of Certioari in the proceedings of Thomas COVINGTON against Eli SCURRY as an error is suggested.

Ordered that Matt/? a mulatto girl, aged 7 years, daughter of Fanny CLARK, be bound to Samuel ROGERS until age 18.

Ordered that Sal, age 14, a mulatto dau of Fanny CLARK, be bound to Samuel ROGERS until age 18.

Ordered that Sindy, age 3 yrs on next April, Mulatto dau of Fanny CLARK, be bound to Saml. ROGERS until age 18.

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Ordered that Ben, age 9 months, mulatto son, of Fanny CLARK, be bound to Samuel ROGERS until age 21.

The Jury ordered to serve at November court 1786 be appointed to attend court next February 1787.

James VERNON Vs. Peter PERKINS - a case. Jury: Luke BARNET, JNO. CHADWELL, William ASTON, Daniel WALL SEN, James HARRIS, William JOHNSTON, William ALLEN, Joel WALKER, Gideon JOHNSTON, Eli SURRY, James RICHEY, Peter SCALES. Jury find the plaintiff £200 to be discharged by the delivery of one negro equal in value to a certain negro called Patt and otherwise called Sal which the said Defendant Peter PERKINS sold the plaintiff Jas. VERNON, which said negro was a certain John FURR? In the Superior Court of Law & Equity held in the Dist. of Salisbury recovered from the said Vernon as plundered property.

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Andrew JOYCE proved a Deed from John DUNCAN to Elijah JOYCE for 200 A.
Thomas POUNDS proved a Deed from James REAGON to William CALDWELL for 120 A.

James VERNON proved a Deed from Robert VERNON to William BARNES for 340 A.

William BARNES acknowledged a Deed to John PHILLIPS for 342 A.

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Gideon JOHNSON acknowledged a Deed to William JOHNSON for 240 A.

Thomas HENDERSON acknowledged a Deed to John CUNNINGHAM for 38 A.

Peter WATSON Being of proper age, chose Peter SCALES as his guardian who entered into Bond with Batts C. LACY.

The County petitioned the overseer of the road leading from Lacy's Ford on Dan River be Charles BRUCE turn same agreeable to petition.

Ordered that Milla DUNCAN, wife of John DUNCAN, be examined with respect to her right of Dower to the land sold to Peter SCALES where on he now lives.
Signed: James HUNTER, Abraham PHILLIPS, Joshua SMITH.

To February Term 1787.

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